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NEWS AND COMMENTS.

THE Tarboro *Southerner* expresses itself as in favor of State Expositions, but it doesn't expect much "good to come out of Nazareth" until "such humbugs as JOHN T. PATRICK go to the devil." It is occasionally refreshing to hear a man "call a spade a spade."

"Vot a beeples! Vot a gountry!" exclaimed the honest old Dutchman, startled out of his wonted Teutonic phlegm by some extraordinary development on the part of "Brother Jonathan." A few days ago in the woods, a mere collection of shanties—the beautiful city of Minneapolis, an aggregation of palaces, one of the "crowned queens of the West," enters the lists with the American metropolis, San Francisco of the Golden Coast and wonderful Chicago, bearing off the honors from all three, and securing the Republican National Convention of 1892. It presented a long list of splendid hotels, among other attractions, showing that it could care for thousands of strangers any day in the week.

We distrust overwhelmingly large majorities, and it is earnestly to be hoped that the House of Representatives of the 52nd Congress will "go slow." As to watchful care of the people's best interests:—not a moment of doubt or a pause of hesitancy; but the record made by the present session will have a distinctive bearing upon the campaign of 1892, and will go far toward shaping our victory or setting at naught all efforts to elect a Democratic President. There are many wrongs to be redressed, many evils to be remedied—the direct outcome of the long lease of Radical control; but reform and iconoclasm are vastly different things, and the most sweeping sort of legislation won't put money into a poor man's pocket, or raise the price of cotton to 10 cents.

RALEIGH now has two Republican papers. The *Signal* is again under way, but it is not given to sending out its beacon light from the watchtower for long at a time, as year by year there be fewer of the Radically faithful to furnish the wherewithal to feed the flame. The *North State* has been removed from Greensboro to the State capital, and if we must have a Republican paper in this very trying world we are very willing to compromise on the *North State*. From the period of its management by the able Captain BALL to the present time it has been the best journal of its political faith ever published in North Carolina—unquestioned in its fealty to party, but conducted with dignity and moderation, and, withal, a very entertaining newspaper. We hope that the new *regime* will keep up the standard of the old.

ALBERT VICTOR, eldest son of the Prince of WALES, has become formally betrothed to Princess MARY, daughter of the Duke of LITON. The sweet, pure loveliness of this fair daughter of royalty sank deeper into the heart of the possible heir to the throne of Great Britain than the grosser and more prodigally displayed charms of the Gaiety Theatre, and we may now hope that, with the winning of this virtuous English gentlewoman's love, the Queen's grandson has turned from the unprofitable pastime of "sowing wild oats." But those "born in the purple" may not love and pair as do Stephron and Chloe, and it became necessary to obtain VICTORIA'S approval of ALBERT VICTOR'S wooing. This she gave with all graciousness, expressing herself much pleased with the contemplated marriage, which is said to be a true love match.

"THE House branch of the Legislature of South Carolina has passed, by a vote of 40 to 34, the Prohibition Bill. The bill absolutely prohibits the sale of beer, liquor, wines, etc., in any portion of the State, or their transportation by railroad, express companies, etc., under heavy penalties. It was passed after a bitter fight, lasting two days. The law is said to be framed on that now in force in Iowa." Statutory prohibition has not hitherto been attended with such substantial results as to give much encouragement to the advocates of total abstinence, and we seriously doubt the feasibility of legislating men's weaknesses and sins out of existence; but it is undeniable that the mass of the people were never so generally and so intensely in earnest on the subject of prohibition as right now, and if the present movement continues this important issue is going to have a fair trial, anyhow.

It's getting to be "hard lines" for moneyed men. Speaking of the recent attempt to serve up with dynamite Mr. RUSSELL SAGE hashed, with scallops and bias on the sides, on account of his failure to "fork out" $1,200,000 on demand, a New York special dispatch says: "It was stated to-day on reliable authority that not less than twenty well-known financiers have engaged the services of private detectives to act as body-guards. All the big railroad men down town were very timid today. SIDNEY DILLON left the Western Union building in the afternoon by going down the elevator and passing out the Dey street basement door. He usually avails himself of the main staircase and Broadway exit." We haven't decided yet what we shall do—will probably build a casemate. There is only one regular professional detective in this city, and we think he is in league with the dynamiters.

THE Washington correspondent of the New York *Herald* speaks of the "graceful act" of Mr. OUTHWAITE, of Ohio, in moving, in the House of Representatives, that ex-Speaker REED be permitted to select his seat in the new Congress instead of drawing it by lot, as is required on the organization of that body, and of the "ungraceful act" of Mr. OATES, of Alabama, in objecting to the motion. This is an exceptional case. In the abstract, we believe in truces, courtesies and amenities to our foes in the breathing-spells of battle; but REED, by his outrageous perversion of his authority and his abuse of his privileges while holding the Speakership in the last Congress, forfeited all claims to consideration, glutted his mean nature to the full with all the petty triumphs of malice, hoisted the black flag between the two parties, and pronounced his own sentence of outlawry. It is the bounden duty of the majority in the House during the coming session to "commend the chalice to the lips" of the deposed "Czar," and give him to feel that "curses, like chickens, come home to roost."

SINCE OUR LAST ISSUE.

Latest News from all Parts of the World, Prepared Especially for the Readers of "The Observer."

The trial of the case against the Durham Alliance Fertilizer Company, at Oxford, in which the Department of Agriculture appeared as prosecutor, has ended for the present. There is a mistrial and an appeal by the department. The charge was a dual one: fraud on the State in not tagging the sacks; fraud on consumers in not making the fertilizer up to standard. ——Mr. Walter R. Womble, an alderman of Raleigh, who died ten days ago, left his property to a young lady of that city, to whom he had for years been engaged. The property is valued at $25,000. ——Very few convicts are now arriving at the penitentiary. The receipts this year are smaller than in several years past. This is due to the general prosperity up to, say, October 7th. In prosperous years there is less crime. This winter there is more stealing than usual; in fact, since October 7th there has been an increase in general crimes. ——Negro emigration agents have arranged to run an excursion train from Morehead City into South Carolina, on which they propose to take numbers of negroes to work in the turpentine forests and on farms in South Carolina and Georgia. Their plan is to thus avoid the law forbidding the removal of laborers from the State by agents. ——The directors of the Raleigh Insane Asylum have decided to put in electric lights and an entirely new system of steam-heating. ——The French Government has on hand a very serious question with the Brazilian Government, and steps have been taken to bring them to a settlement. It is claimed by the French Government that during the troubles growing out of the action of President Fonseca in dissolving the Brazilian Congress and assuming the dictatorship twelve French subjects were killed. The consul at Rio Janerio has been instructed by his Government to demand of the Peixotte Government reparation for the killing of these men. ——An English syndicate has bought the milk-condensing factories at Carpentersville, Ill., and at Brewster, Wassaic and Walden, N. Y., owned by the Borden and Millbank families for over twenty-five years. The purchase price is believed to have been $12,000,000. ——Col. Wm. W. Clapp, for more than twenty-five years editor of the Boston *Journal*, and who retired from that position on the first of last July, died suddenly on the 9th inst. at the Hotel Vendome, Boston, his winter residence, from acute bronchitis. ——The Pullman Company up to the first of last August showed earnings close to $10,000,000 per annum, of which the cars themselves earn $7,800,000. By manufacturing, investing, furnishing offices, etc., this company earns nearly $2,000,000 besides, and earns about $20,000 from its patents. The company pays $2,000,000 a year in dividends. ——Nearly 1,000 immigrants left New York recently for points in Europe, some to spend the holidays and others to return in the spring. ——Mr. Harrity, the Philadelphia Democratic leader, will succeed the late Wm. L. Scott as a member of the Democratic National Committee. ——Governor Hill made a speech at Elmira on the issues of 1892, urging the Democrats to insist on the silver dollars being made worth a dollar intrinsically, and to advocate the repeal of the McKinley tariff act. ——The annual report of W. W. Farnam, Treasurer of Yale University, shows that the University has received $343,494.91 during the past year. ——Importations at New York during the year show an increase in sugar and a falling off in manufactured goods. Increased prices to consumers are predicted. ——The mild winters for the past three years have had the effect of greatly multiplying rabbits in Montgomery county, Indiana, and they are doing untold damage to fruit trees, bushes and crops. Farmers are going out in bands and putting in whole days exterminating the pests. ——A fire in Louisville, Ky., caused a loss of $750,000; four firemen were killed by falling walls; five girls perished in the flames. ——E. E. Meredith, Democrat, of Virginia, has been elected to Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Gen. Lee. ——There were forty thousand cases of influenza in Berlin in one week. ——The French Government asks reparation from Brazil for the killing of twelve French citizens during the recent disturbance in that country. ——Asked about the strength of the Alliance, Mr. Butler said: "I estimate that in the Eastern part of the State about 70 per cent. of the farmers are members. I take the counties of Duplin and Sampson as the basis for such a calculation. Why, in the town of Clinton there is a sub-Alliance with 150 members. In the western part of the State the percentage is not so large, and it is there we are doing our special work. The growth of the order will be in the addition to the membership of sub-Alliances now existing and not in new Alliances. In the East the membership is sufficiently large." ——In the store of Mr. D. P. Carson, in Wilson, at about 8 o'clock on the 7th inst., two boys, Willie Carson, white, and John Gray, colored, each about 16 years of age, were playing with pistols, when the pistol in the hands of the former was accidentally discharged, killing the latter almost instantly. ——Geo. W. Thompson, the oldest living trustee of Wake Forest College, died at his home near there on the 7th inst., aged 88 years. He had served many times in the legislature, and just before the war declined a nomination for Congress in favor of the late Gen. Branch, of Raleigh. ——The Democratic National Committee has been called to meet in Washington City January 21st, 1892, to select the time and place for holding the National Convention. ——James Lawson, a young white man, shot two negroes in an affray at Goodrich, Tenn. One is dead and the other thought to be fatally wounded. ——A prisoner confined in the city jail at Baltimore threw himself to the floor of the second corridor, fifty feet below, and was killed. ——Senator Vance and his wife have been passing the time very pleasantly at Athens and Constantinople, and have taken passage on the *Teutonic*, which sails from Liverpool Dec. 17. They expect to reach Washington by Christmas. The genial Senator makes it a rule to go wherever his wife goes, but in Egypt failed to do so—for she went to the top of the Great Pyramid, while he had to remain at the bottom. ——And now it is said that Hill will get the North Carolina delegation. It is said further that the ticket will be Hill and Boies. ——Inquiry has been made as to whether the Southern Exposition paid. It is said that the net profits approximate $17,000. ——Texas admirers of Mr. Mills are determined to support him for the United States Senate. ——Australian influenza of a serious type is prevalent in several towns in California.

GORDON AND PALMER.

Gubernatorial Lawmakers—A Gallant "Cracker" and an Able "Sucker" in the Senate.

Wash. Correspondence Richmond Dispatch.]

Hill is not the only ex-Governor among the new Senators. General Gordon has been twice Governor of Georgia, and General John M. Palmer was once the Chief Executive of Illinois. Both Gordon and Palmer are men of histories. Both served with credit in the late war, and Palmer came out of it a major-general, having been in some of the most noted battles, and having started in as a colonel. Gordon entered the Confederate service as a captain, and he rose to be lieutenant-general, and he was commanding his troops at the time that Lee surrendered at Appomattox. He was shot all to pieces during the war, and his handsome face bears the scars that he received during its battles. He was wounded five times at the battle of Sharpsburg, and the fifth ball entered his cheek, and laid him low on the field. In speaking about this wound, not long ago, he told a curious story, which illustrates a feature of his character which will come into play during his senatorial career. It is the fact that Gordon never loses his head, and that he can think under any circumstances. Said General Gordon:

"While I lay there wounded on the field my mind went through a curious process of reasoning. I thought I had been struck by a cannon-ball, and I said to myself: 'I have been struck in the head with a six-pound solid shot. It has carried away my head. I can feel that there is a little piece of the skull left on the left side. But my brain must be gone entirely. Therefore I am dead. And yet I am thinking. And how can a man think with his head shot off? And if I am thinking I cannot be dead. And yet no man can live after his head is shot off. Still, I may have consciousness after I am dead, but my body cannot have action. Now, if I can lift my leg then it must be that I am alive. I will try that. Can I? Yes, I can. I see it rising. I am not dead, after all.' And with that I woke up and found my head still on, but I reasoned as philosophically and logically over the the matter as though I was in my office."

A man who can reason this way under such circumstances is not likely to have much trouble on the Senate floor, and Gordon has had experience in the Senate in the past. He was elected to the Senate in 1873, and showed himself a brilliant speaker and debater. He was reelected in 1879, but resigned the year following on the ground that he was too poor to remain in politics, and he went back to Georgia, and engaged in railroading. He made a fortune, I am told, but reverses came, and he lost it. He was elected Governor of Georgia in 1886, and has been in politics more or less all his life. Gordon is one of the fine-looking men of the new members. He is tall, straight and military in his bearing. He is very popular with his old soldiers, and, notwithstanding the fact that he opposed the Farmers' Alliance and was opposed by them, he was elected to the Senate. Senator Gordon is noted as an after-dinner speaker. He is fond of his fellow-men, and will have many friends here.

General John M. Palmer is also a popular man. He is the oldest of the new members, and, with the exception of Morrill, he will probably be the oldest man in the Senate. He was born in Kentucky just seventy-four years ago, and he moved to Illinois at the age of fifteen. The earlier part of his life was spent as a Republican, but he separated from his party during the time he was Governor of the State, and came out as a Democrat, and he claims to be a Democrat as a matter of principle. Senator Palmer is a very approachable man. There is no foolishness or snobbishness about him, and his friends say that his heart is as big as his body, and he is physically one of the big men of the Senate. He is especially strong among the farmers, and he is a presidential possibility in that he could carry as large a farming vote as any man in his party.

China's Power.

Missionary Reporter.]

At the celebration of the Fourth of July at Amoy, China, by the Americans, the Governor of the province was invited to the banquet, and made a remarkable speech which shows his intelligence, and suggests some things worthy of consideration. Tsin Chin was called upon to respond to the toast, "The Emperor of China." In part he said: "China, having followed its own principle of advancement during more than five thousand years, is now compelled to change and move along European channels. It has begun to own steamships and railroads. Its telegraph now covers every province. It has mills, forges and foundries like those of Essen, of Sheffield and of Pittsburgh. China is to-day learning that lesson in education which Europe has obliged her to learn—the art of killing, the science of armies and navies. Woe, then, to the world if the scholar, profiting by her lesson, should apply it in turn. With its freedom from debt, its inexhaustible resources, and its teeming millions, this empire might be the menace, if not the destroyer, of Christendom. No matter what happens, it needs no prophetic gift to know that the twentieth century will see at the forefront of the nations of the world China in the East and America in the West. Well may we pray that, for the welfare of humanity, their purposes will be as peaceful and upright as they are to-day."

Greenland Getting Colder.

Boston Transcript.]

Though the ice-sheet of Greenland has formerly been more extended and deeper than now, as is shown by galciation of the rock surface high up on the sides of the fjords, it has probably during several centuries been on the increase. The ice can be little doubt that the climate is at present prevailingly colder than during the prosperous period of the Norse colonies, between nine hundred and ten hundred years ago. By its increasing accumulation, therefore, we may account for the contrast between the Greenland ice, which has so little englacial and superglacial drift even near its edge, and the partially drift-buried Malaspina glacier at the foot of the Mt. St. Elias range, in Alaska; for there, according to Russell, the ice has probably been on the wane during the past five hundred or one thousand years, and at present is somewhat rapidly receding.

A Certain Cure.

She (talking confidentially to her bosom friend)—Now that we are married, John has stopped drinking entirely. I have not detected the odor of liquor about him since our wedding day.

"Was it difficult for him to stop?"

"Oh, no; not at all. He just eats cloves. He says that is a certain cure."

☞ Advice is valuable chiefly when it makes a man mad enough to follow his own ideas.

A KEELEY PATIENT DIES OF ALCOHOLISM.

A Distinguished Physician Relapses into his Drinking Habits after Coming from the Famous Institute.

Dr. W. F. Standiford, a well-known practitioner, died suddenly at his home, No. 1,518 Wabash Avenue, in Chicago, of what was said to be heart disease, but it was known that acute alcoholism killed him. An important feature of the case is that he was discharged but a few months ago from Dr. Leslie Keeley's Institute, at Dwight, as cured of the morphine and whiskey habit.

Not long ago Dr. Standiford had a practice aggregating $30,000 a year, but his intemperate habits caused many of his patients to leave him. In endeavoring to break away from liquor he became addicted to morphine, and last spring went to Dwight. After taking the prescribed course there he returned to Chicago, but, although he was cured so far as morphine was concerned, he began drinking again soon after leaving the institute at Dwight.

Dr. Standiford was born at Westville forty years ago. He grew up in his father's business, and acquired a very large practice. He graduated at Rush Medical College, and, with the late Dr. Charles Parkes, was considered one of the brightest ornaments of the college faculty as a professor of surgery. In 1875 he went to Hot Springs, where his practice grew very large, his revenue from patients sent him by the celebrated Dr. Pancoast, of Philadelphia, alone amounting to many thousands of dollars annually.

As his habits of intemperance, however, grew upon him he lost his practice, and finally repaired to Chicago to reform in a new social atmosphere. It was in vain, however, that he tried to reform, and the whiskey thirst grew upon him. In an effort to recover from the effects of his debauches he contracted the morphine habit, and soon he was the slave of both liquor and morphine. He became almost a physical wreck, and it was then that his friends prevailed upon him to go to Dwight, and submit to Dr. Keeley's treatment of bichloride of gold. In order that he might become thoroughly cured he remained at Dwight longer than is the case of the ordinary patient, and when he left the Keeley Institute last May it was said he was completely cured.

In a short time, however, he fell back into his old habit of using morphine, and later on began to drink again. So helpless a slave of these habits did he become that he is said to have taken a quart and a half of whiskey and ten grains of morphine a day. It is said that for a time after his return from Dwight he had no sort of appetite whatever for liquor or morphine, but that in a spirit of investigation he began to use both, to ascertain whether or not his appetite for them was completely dead, as had been claimed by some of the more enthusiastic advocates of the bichloride of gold treatment.

It was this unfortunate spirit of experiment that proved his final ruin, for it was not long before both the whiskey and morphine appetites again obtained control of him, and from that time onward his only object in life was to obtain liquor and the drug. He was of an experimental nature, and he would never have become a slave to the morphine habit had he not experimented with the drug in the hope that it would enable him to stop the use of all sorts of liquors. The result was exactly the opposite of what he had anticipated.

Dr. Standiford's case has excited more than the ordinary attention, from the fact that of the hundreds of men who have been admitted to the Keeley Institute not more than one per cent. have relapsed into their former drinking habits. It was Dr. Standiford's high standing in the medical profession that called such particular attention to his case. It was generally known that he had been to Dwight, and it was said that if the bichloride cure worked effectually in his case there was hope for the most abandoned drunkard.

The Elves' Coronation.

New York World.]

That night Lotus was to be crowned Queen of the Elves, and there was great joy in the forest. The winds and waters sang a grand chorus, and the moon lit up all things with a strong, soft light. The stars twinkled like diamonds in the vault of heaven.

Suddenly a nightingale's voice sounded through the air, and the Elves trooped out from their homes under the trees, and stood in the centre of the sward, where the coronation was to take place. The squirrels and birds woke up and grouped around, for they wanted to see what it was all about. Then Lestros, the King of the Elves, spoke:

"Subjects," he said, "we have assembled here to-night to crown and do homage to my chosen Queen Lotus. Bring forth the crown, Tarpol," he commanded, turning to an old Elf who had a white beard and little, sparkling eyes.

A beautiful crown it was. It was made of woven rose-petals that were fastened together by threads of spiders' silk, and it was studded with little crystals that glittered in the moonlight.

Lestros took the crown, and, kissing Lotus, he placed it on her head. The Elves knelt down, and the birds and squirrels bowed their heads. Lotus blushed and smiled with pleasure. She was very beautiful. Her eyes were like stars, and her face like the face of the rose when it is kissed by the sunlight.

"Let the dance begin," commanded Lestros, and the nightingales, who sat on a bough close by, let forth a burst of song. Lestros and Lotus led the dance.

All night long the Elves danced, and the moonbeams danced with them. The squirrels and the little birds danced, too, and the winds and the waters sang in low, joyful voices. They danced till dawn blotted out the light of the far stars. Then the day came, driving the night away, and the Elves departed.

"Old Man of the Mountain."

Detroit Free Press.]

This title was first applied to Hassan Ben Sabbal, who founded a formidable dynasty in Syria, A. D. 1090. He was the prince, or chief, of a sect of the Mohammedans. Having been banished from his country, he took up his abode in Mount Lebanon, and gathered around him a band of followers, who soon became the terror alike of Christians, Hebrews and Turks. They paid the most implicit obedience to his commands, and believed that if they sacrificed their lives for his sake they would be rewarded with the highest joys of paradise. For 200 years these "Assassins," as they called themselves, continued to be the terror of the country. Whenever their chief, the "Old Man of the Mountain," considered himself injured he dispatched some of his "Assassins" secretly to murder the aggressor. This is the origin of our use of the word "assassin" for a secret murderer.

☞ The man who growls because he hasn't found his level has probably failed to do his level best.

CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS.

The Face of the Great Discoverer—His Features as Described by his Gifted Son.

Washington Post.]

Now that the projected Columbian Exposition is receiving so much attention, both at home and abroad, anything pertaining to the man in whose honor the great World's Fair is to be held is greatly sought after by the interested public. Thus the various alleged portraits of the renowned discoverer are at present attracting more attention than ever. There are many things concerning Columbus shrouded in mystery. His birth-place is unknown, or, at least, this honor is claimed by a dozen different towns and hamlets. There is equally as unsettled controversy as to his last resting-place.

The various paintings which pretend to portray the features of Columbus are involved in as much doubt as his birth- and burial-place. The weight of opinion in a controversy extending back fully two centuries is that the great navigator never sat for a portrait, and that consequently no authentic picture or sketch was made during his lifetime. This fact, however, did not deter many famous artists from painting his portrait at a later day—each relying entirely upon verbal descriptions given by contemporaneous writers.

Of the five writers of his time who have left some record of the features and appearance of Columbus probably the account which should carry most weight is given by his son Fernando, who says: "The Admiral was a well-made man, of height above the medium, with a long face and cheek bones somewhat prominent; he was neither too fat nor too lean. He had an aquiline nose, light-colored eyes and a ruddy complexion. In his youth he had been fair, and his hair was of a light color, but after he was thirty years of age it turned completely white."

A fine painting of Columbus for many years hung in the gallery of Paolo Giovio, an Italian, who was Archbishop of Nocera, and whose palace was located on the banks of Lake Como, on what was said to be the exact site of Pliny's villa. The artist of this portrait is unknown, but, as the owner of the picture was a contemporary and friend of Columbus, its importance was fully recognized. Several copies were made of this painting, but the original has been lost sight of, or, rather, it has apparently multiplied, for no less than five of the existing portraits of Columbus claim to be the original of the Giovio gallery.

One of the copies of the Giovio portrait was made, according to written evidence, for King Ferdinand I. of Austria. It is a miniature in oil, on a small panel of wood, and was the work of an accomplished artist, whose identity is unknown. It is now exhibited in one of the fine-art collections of Vienna.

Nearly twenty-two years ago a portrait of Columbus was presented to the city of Havana by one of the illustrious Dukes of Veragua, a descendant of America's discoverer. It still hangs in the council-chamber of that city, and is unlike all his other portraits, for the face is adorned with a small moustache and goatee.

Talleyrand owned a famous painting of the Admiral, which may now be seen over the staircase in the Chateau of Valaneay, in the Department of Indere, France, and it is said to have been executed by Sebastian del Piambo. It is one of the most artistic of all the alleged pictures of Christopher Columbus.

Gossip of Gotham.

Correspondence Richmond Dispatch.]

Sometimes I wonder whether the country at large appreciates the fact that this city of New York is, next to London, the richest city in the world. Somebody, of course, will tell me about Providence, R. I., and Hartford, Conn., being the richest towns in this country, population considered. I have heard all about that, but the more I see of it the more I am astonished at the evidences of wealth here, and the lavishness with which money is spent.

Leaving out of consideration the magnificent office buildings, the palatial homes which cost fortunes yearly to maintain, it is amazing to contemplate the luxury in which upper New York fairly rolls. I have seen a million dollars' worth of horses and equipages in Central Park in a single afternoon. The yachts and tallyhoes and drags of this town represent millions. Just think of 100,000 people going to a horse show in one week to see a lot of tortured trick-horses with their tails bobbed and their mouths split with hideous bits! And only last week 35,000 people attended a college butting match on the Manhattan Athletic Club grounds, many of them paying as much as $20 a seat.

Take a peep into Delmonico's any evening, or any of the big restaurants up town, and see how money is being squandered on food or costly wines. And then the ball-, and parties, and operas. It is in this town that people can be found to pay $30,000 for a little red bit of pottery, or $100,000 for a stallion. We have scores of people here with incomes ranging from $100,000 to $500,000 a year, who are hardly noted or heard of. Of course we all hear about the Vanderbilts, the Astors, the Goulds, the Goelets, the Conderts, etc., but that fellow next to you on the street-corner may be worth a million or two, and nobody but a few of his intimates knows anything about it.

New York draws unto itself rich people from all over the land. The successful business-man comes hither to achieve greater things, the wealthy widow finds life here more congenial than on her Western farm, the young spendthrift who has inherited his share of the paternal estate rushes here to "have a swell time"—all, all contribute to our wealth and incidentally to our luxury. New York is growing daily richer, gayer and wickeder. It is the most expensive city in the world to live in; in most respects it is the pleasantest—barring Paris.

An Athletic Monarch.

Charles XII. of Sweden was famous as a jumper. This ruler, whose wonderful mental, moral and physical qualities constituted him every inch a king, had a knack of leaping unharmed to the ground from a second-story window, and would sometimes, to amuse the children at the court, take a flying jump over the backs of half a dozen horses. He was also a very swift runner, and at fencing, lifting heavy weights, and taming apparently intractable horses he had hardly an equal in his kingdom.

The Dreadful Infant.

Tommy—Mr. Wilkinson, ain't you shaped just like other men?

Mr. Wilkinson—I suppose so, Tommy. Why?

Tommy—Papa says you ain't exactly square, and Belle says you seem to be always 'round.

At the Door.

The clock struck 12; he said "Goodnight!"
"Goodnight, my dear," said she.
Then to the door the pair adjourned,
And parted just at three.

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MONEY can be earned at our NEW line of work, rapidly and honorably, by those of either sex, young or old, and in their own localities, wherever they live. Any one can do the work. Easy to learn. We start you. No risk. You can devote your spare moments, or all your time to the work. This is an entirely new lead, and brings wonderful success to every worker. Beginners are earning from $25 to $50 per week and upwards, and more after a little experience. We can furnish you the employment and teach you FREE. No space to explain here. Full information FREE. TRUE & CO., AUGUSTA, MAINE.

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Foreign Woolens,
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and
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As for
PRICES AND FIT,
am willing to compete with anyone in my line.
I cordially invite the public in general to call and be convinced of the fact. I also make cutting, cleaning and repairing a specialty.
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PROF. S. ROSS, the GERMAN OCULIST, of Danzig, Germany, has just arrived in Fayetteville with a large line of Spectacles and Eye-Glasses, and, with his experience and observation, hazards nothing in saying that he can fit with satisfaction the eyes of all. His stock consists of Brazilian, Australian, California, Alaska and Cape Diamond Pebbles. Satisfaction guaranteed in every instance. He also wishes to give notice to the public that all parties suffering with corns or warts can have the same removed by calling on him at his office at the residence of Mr. Mike Folb, opposite Masonic Lodge, at any hour during the day. Charges moderate. Examination of the eyes free to all. Old gold spectacles taken in exchange for new ones or repairs. Repairing done promptly.
☞ Twenty-two years experience.
Oct. 22, 1891. tf

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A SECOND-HAND SAFE in first-class condition, suitable for bank, merchant or any other purpose. For further particulars apply to W. S. KINGSBURY,
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McMILLAN BROS.
will offer for sale their entire stock of
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Household and Kitchen Goods,
Pumps, Cooking Stoves,
Heating Stoves, etc., etc.,
at cost, for the purpose of closing out the present stock we have on hand.
This is your opportunity to secure genuine bargains.
Call Early and See Our Stock.
Aug. 13, 1891—tf

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STEAM LAUNDRY
IN FULL OPERATION.
Turning out best quality of work at "rock bottom" prices. Goods called for and delivered. Call at laundry on Gillespie street, and see us.
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Carriage and Wagon Manufacturer,
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Good Substantial Work
GUARANTEED.
ORDERS SOLICITED.
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Consult your interest and get their figures before buying.
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A Full Stock of Heavy and
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CONDENSED SCHEDULE.

In effect December 1st, 1891.

	NORTH BOUND. Daily Except Sunday. No. 2	Daily Except Sunday. No. 4	Daily Except Sunday. No. 16
Leave Wilmington		10:40 a m	
Arrive Fayetteville		2:04 p m	
Leave Fayetteville		3:15 p m	
Leave Sanford		4:42 p m	
Arrive Greensboro		7:10 p m	
Leave Greensboro		7:20 p m	
Leave Walnut Cove		8:49 p m	
Arrive Mt. Airy		10:45 p m	
Leave Bennettsville	12:55 p m		
Leave Maxton	1:42 p m		
Arrive Fayetteville	3:11 p m		
Leave Ramseur			7:25 a m
Arrive Greensboro			10:05 a m
Leave Greensboro			10:35 a m
Arrive Madison			12:55 p m

	SOUTH BOUND. Daily Except Sunday. No. 1.	Daily Except Sunday. No. 3.	Daily Except Sunday. No. 15.
Leave Mt. Airy		6:55 a m	
Leave Walnut Cove		8:45 a m	
Arrive Greensboro		10:10 a m	
Leave Greensboro		10:30 a m	
Leave Sanford		12:45 p m	
Arrive Fayetteville		2:06 p m	
Leave Fayetteville		3:15 p m	
Arrive Wilmington		6:40 p m	
Leave Fayetteville		2:11 p m	
Leave Maxton		3:30 p m	
Arrive Bennettsville		4:22 p m	
Leave Madison			2:30 p m
Arrive Greensboro			4:55 p m
Leave Greensboro			5:10 p m
Arrive Ramseur			8:25 p m

NORTH BOUND—Daily Except Sunday. No. 12.

Leave Greensboro	10:20 a m
Leave Walnut Cove	1:50 p m
Arrive Mt. Airy	3:35 p m

SOUTH BOUND—Daily Except Sunday. No. 11

Leave Mt. Airy	2:10 p m
Leave Walnut Cove	6:00 p m
Arrive Greensboro	8:45 p m

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Wilmington & Weldon R. R.
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Condensed Schedule.

TRAINS GOING SOUTH.

Dated Nov. 23, 1891.	No. 23, Daily.	No. 27, Daily.
Leave Weldon	12 30 P. M.	5 43 P. M.
Arrive Rocky Mount	1 40 "	.....
Arrive Tarboro	*2 18 P. M.	.....
Leave Tarboro	12 58 P. M.	*6 00 P. M.
Arrive Wilson	2 18 P. M.	7 00 P. M.
Leave Wilson	*2 30 "	.....
Arrive Selma	3 30 "	.....
Arrive Fayetteville	5 30 "	.....
Leave Goldsboro	3 15 "	7 42 "
Leave Warsaw	4 14 "	.....
Leave Magnolia	4 27 "	8 40 P. M.
Arrive Wilmington	6 00 "	9 55 P. M.

TRAINS GOING NORTH.

	No. 14. Daily.	No. 78, Daily.
Leave Wilmington	12 35 A. M.	9 15 A. M.
Leave Magnolia	.....	10 57 "
Leave Warsaw	.....	11 11 "
Arrive Goldsboro	2 55 A. M.	12 05 P. M.
Leave Fayetteville	.....	*9 10 A. M.
Arrive Selma	.....	11 08 "
Arrive Wilson	.....	12 10 P. M.
Leave Wilson	3 35 A. M.	12 58 P. M.
Arrive Rocky Mount	.....	1 39 "
Arrive Tarboro	*6 20 A. M.	*2 18 "
Leave Tarboro	.....	12 58 P. M.
Arrive Weldon	5 05 A. M.	2 55 P. M.

*Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 4:00 P M, Halifax 4:22 P M, arrive Scotland Neck at 5:15 P M, Greenville 6:52 P M., Kinston 7:00 P M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7:00 A M, Greenville 8:10 A M. Arriving Halifax at 11:00 A M, Weldon 11.25 A M, daily except Sunday.

Local freight train leaves Weldon at 7:00 A. M., arriving Scotland Neck 10:05 A M, Greenville 2:00 P M, Kinston 5:10 P M. Returning leaves Kinston 8:00 A M, arriving Greenville 10:50 A M, Scotland Neck 2:40 P M, Weldon 5:15 P M, daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N C, via Albemarle & Raleigh R R Daily except Sunday, 4:40 P M, Sunday 3:00 P M, arrive Williamston N C, 7:18 P M, 4:20 P M, Plymouth 8:30 P M, 5:20 P M. Returning

THE OBSERVER.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., DEC. 17, 1891.

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"The Observer" is the second oldest paper in the State; is read by nine-tenths of the reading people of Cumberland, and circulates extensively throughout the counties of Robeson, Richmond, Moore, Harnett, Bladen, Columbus, New Hanover, Pender, Duplin, Sampson, Johnston, Anson, Chatham Montgomery and Stanly, and Marion and Marlboro counties, S. C.

MEETING AT RED SPRINGS.

Pursuant to a call by hand-bill, the text of which was published in last week's OBSERVER, there was a meeting of citizens of Robeson county last week at Red Springs, which, we learn, was largely attended. Mr. D. P. McEachern, of Mill Prong, was made chairman of the meeting. Mr. R. W. Knight, of Maxton, was chosen secretary, and Mr. Hamilton McMillan, of Red Springs, explained the object of the assemblage. A committee, consisting of Messrs. J. R. McLean, H. McMillan, E. McRae, D. E. McBryde and A. T. McCallum, was appointed to prepare and submit resolutions, who offered the following:

WHEREAS: Crimes have so often gone unpunished in North Carolina, particularly in cases of homicide, that the public mind has ceased to be shocked at the enormity of crime or the failure of juries to convict; and whereas, the people of Robeson county are confronted with the acquittal, by a Cumberland county jury, of a man charged with having murdered his uncle, in the face of strongest positive and circumstantial evidence, sufficient in any civilized country, in our judgment, to convict him before an honest and intelligent jury; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That the frequent recurrence of acquittal in cases of murder is sufficient evidence to us that there is something wrong in the administration of justice in our courts. The jury system is defective, for under it we are fully persuaded that any man of financial means can secure his acquittal, though his hands be red with the blood of his victim.

2. That to protect the lives and property of the citizens of our State and county, and as far as possible secure a fair and honest jury, we are informed that the State's solicitor asked the presiding judge to have the jury drawn. This motion was denied, and in this denial we condemn the action of the judge until we know and judge his reasons therefor; that the denial of the motion to have the jury drawn destroyed the last hope of the people of Robeson for a fair trial.

3. That we further censure the presiding judge for not discharging the jury when they notified him of their inability to agree. The action of his Honor was virtually to force an acquittal and turn loose upon society, as we believe, a cold-blooded, murderous assassin who had murdered his own uncle for insurance money.

4. That while we extend to the few members of the jury who stood for conviction our warmest thanks, and extend to the counsel who represented the State our warmest acknowlegment for their services in behalf of justice, yet we cannot but regret that they did not see fit to offer in evidence the letters found on the prisoner when arrested in the State of Oregon, 3,800 miles from the scene of the murder, as throwing full light (if any was needed) on the motive which inspired the murderous deed.

5. That the blood of murdered men cries aloud for reform in our jury system. That the acquittal of the murderer of Simeon Conoley tends to lessen our respect for courts of law, and brings them into contempt and tends to lessen the respect for the system of trial by jury as now practiced. That we condemn the manner in which the jury was allowed to be talked to by an outsider while in charge of an officer.

6. That the thanks of this meeting are due and are hereby heartily tendered to the Mecklenburg *Times*, Monroe *Enquirer*, Pee Dee *Index*, (S. C.) Asheville *Citizen*, Carthage *Blade*, State *Chronicle*, Maxton *Union*, *Scottish Chief* and other newspapers which, in temperate but bold, courageous and emphatic terms, have fitly characterized the acquittal of D. A. McDougald as contrary to the law and the facts, a travesty of justice and a foul blot upon the judicial ermine of North Carolina.

7. That the papers of the State friendly to justice be requested to publish these resolutions.

On motion, the following amendments were offered, and the whole were unanimously adopted, between 160 and 170 of those present signing their names thereto:

Resolved, 1. That we request the Mutual Life Insurance Company, of New York, to resist the payment of the insurance policy on the life of Simeon Conoley, as the contract was tainted with fraud.

2. That the papers of the county and State unfriendly to justice be denounced and our patronage withdrawn.

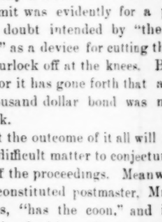
We studied very seriously over the contemplated action at Red Springs when it first came to our notice, and we expressed our opinion as to the matter firmly but moderately. This opinion has undergone no change—we still think an attack, from whatever quarter, upon the action of the bench and the proceedings of a duly-constituted court, hazardous, and subversive instead of conservative of law and order. Our conscience acquits us of being among those journalists who are "unfriendly to justice;" but if our patronage is to be dependent on the suppression of our honest sentiments or the sacrifice of principle to any pressure whatsoever—let it go.

The defect, if there be any, lies at the door of the statute, as laid down for the government of the trial of such cases, and on this point we might have more to say, but we understand the jury contemplates having a word to say in the public prints, over their own signatures.

Frank Thornton.

The silly and false statement by the Charlotte *News* that F. W. Thornton, of this place, had made an assignment, does this public-spirited citizen and successful merchant of Fayetteville a gross injustice; and, besides, is a piece of recklessness for which the editor of the *News* is hardly excusable. Had such a report gained circulation in Charlotte it would have been an easy matter for the *News* man to have wired for information and told the truth, instead of jumping at conclusions. Reporting a man as having failed who conducts a business of the magnitude of Frank Thornton is simply taking too much for granted, and editor Harris should no longer withhold the authority upon which he predicated his statement—inasmuch as not a few of Mr. Thornton's friends in Fayetteville attribute the origin of this malicious falsehood to some one of his many competitors, though we are unwilling to believe that we have any such in this city so depraved and destitute of honor as to resort to such despicable methods and overt acts of littleness to stab a man in the back under the cover of darkness. For our own gratification as well as for the benefit of the general public we have investigated sufficiently to justify the statement that at no time within the past year have Mr. Thornton's financial affairs been in a more satisfactory condition both to himself and creditors alike than at present.

From an insignificant retail business in 1865, Frank Thornton has by his tireless energy and indomitable pluck succeeded in building up, possibly, the largest mercantile business in the two Carolinas, and for the upbuilding of Fayetteville has never lagged, but stood in the front rank, battling with his money, his brain and his energy for the future prosperity and growth of the town. In the future the OBSERVER can wish for him no greater success than his unlimited push, perseverance and business sagacity merit.



WALTER H. NEAL, ESQ.
Member of the Laurinburg Bar, of counsel for the prosecution in the McDougald trial.

Fayetteville Postoffice.

Within the past few days there has been what Josiah Turner would call "a rattling of dry bones" in the Fayetteville postoffice. A postoffice inspector or examiner came along a few days since, and detected irregularities in postmaster Wemyss's affairs. This led to Mr. Wemyss's tendering his resignation to Mr. Wannamaker at Washington, which was duly accepted, and on Friday last his successor, Mr. W. P. Wemyss, up to this time assistant-postmaster, was quietly sworn in as postmaster at this place. Whatever the shortage, if there be any, will be made good by the deposed postmaster's bondsmen.

At this writing we are told that Maj. R. M. Orrell, W. H. McNeill and Matthew Leary are pushing their applications and pressing their claims before Mr. Wannamaker for the "plum," while Capt. E. P. Powers, at present snugly couched on Uncle Sam's revenue rag, is quietly "resting on his oars," ready to "bring up the rear," as a "dark horse," or compromise candidate, should the fight wax sufficiently warm between the above candidates to justify a "dark horse."

At first, the colored wing of the Republican party demanded that Scurlock, the defeated candidate for Congress in this district—who, according to all precedents of political economy, was entitled to the control of public patronage in his district, all things being equal—should have the place. But that reached the ears of the Republican League, organized at Asheville some time ago, and the Buncombe Steerers jumped on to Scurlock "with both feet" and drawn sabres, and never quit the drive until they had his scalp, notwithstanding Scurlock had official notice from Washington of his appointment, with the request that his bond of nineteen thousand dollars be ready for ratification or rejection at any moment. The order of an implied limit was evidently for a purpose, and no doubt intended by "the powers that be" as a device for cutting the aforesaid Scurlock off at the knees. But of no avail, for it has gone forth that a thirty five thousand dollar bond was made by Scurlock.

What the outcome of it all will be is a rather difficult matter to conjecture at this stage of the proceedings. Meanwhile, the newly-constituted postmaster, Mr. W. P. Wemyss, "has the coon," and is going right ahead with a diligence and painstaking in the discharge of his multifarious duties that bespeak efficient service.

National Bank of Wilmington.

The investigation into the affairs of the defunct National Bank of Wilmington discloses some rather ugly work and startling developments; and, taken in conjunction with the flight of the cashier to parts unknown, would certainly indicate that there is "something rotten in Denmark." A shortage has been unearthed among other things, and the Bank Examiner states that during his twenty years' experience he has rarely, if ever before, found a bank with such a "tangled up state of affairs as the First National of Wilmington." The bank officials and directors are still in ignorance of Cashier Bowden's whereabouts, and the *Messenger* learns that the outlook for the depositors to get dollar for dollar is not so good as was at first anticipated. Continuing, the *Messenger* says:

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

Ordinarily, in winding up the affairs of a bank, it goes from the examiner into the hands of the receiver. On yesterday, however, United States District Attorney Chas. A. Cook had some matters placed in his hands, and what the outcome will be will develop later. It might be observed, however, that whereas a receiver is an administrative officer a district attorney is a prosecuting officer—hence is generally "after" somebody.

Whether the Government intends to send after the cashier is not known, but he is needed badly by the examiner, and in justice to himself he should be here. All the difficulties in the way of the examiner might be satisfactorily explained if he was here, but it is well understood that matters cannot be straightened up unless the cashier is present to lend his aid to Examiner Alden.

Cotton States Convention.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 14.—Commissioner Lane, of the department of agriculture of Alabama, has issued a circular to every State agricultural commisioner in the cotton growing States, for the purpose of considering the expediency and practicability of decreasing the acreage of cotton in the South. He says: "Being deeply impressed with the conviction that this demand is most imperative and that action ought not to be delayed, I respectfully ask your immediate consideration, and through you that of the cotton growers in reference to this subject, and the urgent necessity of an early meeting for the purpose of discussing, and, if possible, arriving at some conclusion that will accomplish the desired result." He names the city of Montgomery, Ala., as the most available place, and Wednesday, the 6th of January, 1892, as the time of meeting of the convention.

MAJ. JNO. D. SHAW, SR.
Member of the Rockingham Bar, of counsel for the defense in the McDougald trial.

An Odd Fellow Toils Like a Good Fellow.

Mr. W. D. Gaster, whom Providence, when it afflicted him with a lame leg, seemed to endow with superabundant energy to compensate for his misfortune, has been recently going about doing good in the order of Odd Fellows; and he writes thus to the Raleigh *News and Observer* of an official trip down the Cape Fear:

On Thursday morning, the 3rd inst., at 9 o'clock, the writer, together with Bros. P. G. J. A. Nicholson, P. G. A. H. Watson, John Hollingsworth, W. L. Nunnalee, E. S. Sanders, T. M. Henderson, E. J. Edwards, boarded the steamer *Murchison* for Winnie Station, on the "old historic" Cape Fear river. It is useless to say that we had a pleasant time and a palatable dinner, when it is known that that genial captain, W. A. Robeson, was in command of the magnificent steamer. We arrived at Winnie about 4 o'clock in the evening, and were met by several of the new members with conveyances to carry us over to the academy, where we were to institute the lodge. After having been assigned to our homes, and having partaken of a bountiful supper which had been prepared for us by those good people, we all assembled at the academy, where we found Bro. P. G. C. C. Lyon, who was once a member of a lodge at Elizabethtown, but had taken a card before the lodge became defunct, and Bros. J. T. Martin, Jr., and Joel C. Johnson, of Cross Creek Lodge, together with twenty-one of the best men of Bladen county, who were already waiting and anxious to become Odd Fellows. We went to work, and by 1 o'clock that night we had instituted Alba Lodge, No. 54, I. O. O. F., at Winnie, N. C., and elected and installed the following officers: Sitting P. G. C. C. Lyon; Noble Grand, John T. Martin, Jr; Vice Grand, E. F. McCulloch; Recording Secretary, John S. Williamson; Financial Secretary, I. J. Cain; Treasurer, Owen Register. This lodge is in one of the best sections of the State of North Carolina, and has started off with a membership of 22, and bids fair to become one of the best lodges in this jurisdiction.

A Novel Class in Political Economy.

State Chronicle]

There is something new under the sun in the way of interviewing. Before the smoke had cleared away from the Speakership contest the St. Louis *Globe-Democrat* sends forty bright young reporters to Washington, charged with the duty of asking members of Congress and public officers a lot of historical-political questions. The plan was to ascertain how many of the country's Solons could answer the questions propounded off-hand. The questions were:

1. How old was George Washington at the time of his retirement, after having served eight years as President?
2. How many officers were included in the Cabinet of George Washington, and what were they?
3. How long did Thomas Jefferson live after the close of his Presidential term?
4. When was the Navy Department created, and who was the first Secretary of the Navy?
5. When was the Postmaster-General made a Cabinet officer, and who was the first Postmaster-General who was also a Cabinet officer?
6. When was the Interior Depactment created, and who was the first Secretary of the Interior?
7. Who was the first Chief Justice of the United States?
8. What Chief Justice of the United States served the longest period, and how long did he serve?
9. What Speaker of the House of Representatives served the longest in capacity, and how long did he serve?
10. How many ex-Presidents of the United States died on the 4th of July, and who were they?
11. Had any President of the United States, previous to his election to that office, been Speaker of the House of Representatives? Give name or names.
12. Who was the first Speaker of the House of Representatives?
13. When were the first ten amendments to the Constitution adopted?
14. What article of the Constitution of the United States prescribes the method of choosing a President by Electors?

There was a key to the catechism, but it was not revealed until the reporters had finished their task. Here are the answers:

1. Sixty-five years and eleven days.
2. Four—Secretary of State, Attorney General, Secretary of the Treasury and Secretary of War and Navy (Secretary of War and Navy one office).
3. 1809 to 1826—17 years and 4 months.
4. 1798. George Cabot.
5. In 1829. William T. Barry.
6. In 1849. Thomas Ewing.
7. John Jay.
8. John Marshall—34 years, 5 months, 7 days.
9. Henry Clay—10 years.
10. Three—Jefferson, Adams and Monroe.
11. James K. Polk.
12. Fred A. Muhlenburg.
13. 1791.
14. Amendments, Article 12.

Only four correct answers were given to the questions, most of the distinguished gentlemen declining to be put to a catechism. Senator Ransom told the reporters that Senators were too old: to ask the school-children to answer. Col. Cowles and Mr. Grady answered correctly except as to one or two dates. Our other members didn't think it worth their attention. Congressman Cheatham, our colored member, answered:

"Owing to my previous condition of servitude my early education was neglected, and, therefore, I am not prepared to answer the sensible questions you propose to ask."

River and Harbor Improvement.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—In the treasury book of estimates is a summary taken from the report of the Chief of Engineers of the Army, of amounts that can be profitably expended during the next fiscal year upon river and harbor improvements. The following estimates are made for the waterways in North Carolina:

Black River, $20,000; Cape Fear River, $360,000; Contentnea Creek, $25,500; Fishing Creek, $10,000; inland water-route from Norfolk, Va., to Albemarle Sound, N. C., $25,000; inland waterway between New River and Swansboro, $15,000; inland waterway between Beaufort Harbor and New River, $20,000; inland waterway between New Berne and Beaufort, $57,000; Lockwood Folly River, $10,000; Lumber River, North and South Carolina, $20,000; Neuse River, $60,000; New River, $12,000; (Cape Fear) River, $10,000; $100,000; Pamlico and Pasquotank River, $6,-000; Trent River,

April 16, 1891.

People and Their Movements.

Mr. J. L. Prior, of Raleigh (but we claim him still), is at home for a visit.

Rev. J. T. Gibbs, Presiding Elder of the Fayetteville District, spent a day or two in the city last week.

last week.

Miss Hattie Starr has returned from a pleasant visit to her sister, Mrs. Alex. Johnson, in Wilmington, during which she enjoyed the entertainment of "Welcome Week."

Their relatives and many friends have recently enjoyed a visit from Rev. and Mrs. Jno. H. Hall, of Oxford, Mr. Hall having charge of that circuit, where he is greatly esteemed as a strong minister and useful pastor.

Rev. W. F. Watson, of Carthage, has been paying a visit to his former home. That was a feeling and earnest prayer which he offered at the close of the services in the Presbyterian session-room last Friday evening.

Mr. A. D. Black has been shaking hands with his old friends (every solitary soul of whom asks after pretty Mary) here for the past day or two. We are always glad to see the staunch old Caledonian (old in a Pickwickian sense solely).

It has given us much pleasure to meet Mrs. Jno. C. Haigh, who has been for some time residing with Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Daingerfield, at Henderson, but who is now making a visit to her children, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. C. Haigh, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Haigh.

Mr. E. W. Overbaugh, the well-known "safe man," has been making a sojourn among his old friends—his stay lengthened by a case of jaundice; but his complexion is clearing up, and we are happy to say that in a few days, in the language of Artemus Ward, he "will not have a solitary jaunder."

Graded School Report.

To the Honorable Board of Trustees:

GENTLEMEN:—My report for the third month of the present session of Fayetteville schools is below.

Number of new pupils enrolled this month,	11
Total number of pupils enrolled,	273
Per cent. of attendance,	82
Number of tardies,	199

ROLL OF HONOR.

Girls.—Misses Kate Broadfoot, Ethel Fisher, Mary Lamb, Fannie McPherson, Lillie Slocomb, Laura Schlossberg, Sadie Huske, Lucy Evans, Sallie Brown, Pauline Cole, Alice Jessup, Mamie Brown, Maggie Cobb, Nannie Kinlaw, Fannie McRae, Addie Barden, Maud Brower, Etta Belle Clark, May Driver, Clara Rosenthal, Stella Muse, Harriet Humphrey, Mallie Boone, Rachel Jackson.

Boys.—George Rose, John Rose, Hoagland Davis, Charles Rose, Harry Rosenthal, Eddie Poole, Ira Kinlaw, Paul Watson, Leland Muse, Percy Maxwell, Eugene Jones, Peter Kinlaw, Sampson Boone, James Arnett, Abraham Holden, William Owen, Hackney Poole, Hiram Cole.

Respectfully submitted.

B. C. McIVER,
Superintendent.

Dec. 15, 1891.

A Minister Shot by an Angry Husband.

KINSTON, N. C., Dec. 10.—Reports of a deplorable occurrence in Greene Co. reached here this morning. The facts, as we understand, are as follows: Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Grimsley, of Snow Hill, have not been getting along well together for some time on account of the desertion of Mr. Grimsley. Tuesday Rev. J. T. Abernethy, the M. E. pastor of the Snow Hill circuit, was at Mr. Grimsley's residence; Mrs. Grimsley was preparing to separate from her husband and go to her parents; she is a daughter of Sheriff Murrill, of Onslow county; she was in great grief, and the preacher was trying to console her. When the preacher was about to leave he kissed her good bye. Mr. Grimsley was concealed near by, and when he saw the preacher kiss his wife he raised up and leveled on him with his shot-gun. At the first attempt to shoot the gun snapped; at the second attempt the gun fired, and the load took effect in Rev. Abernethy's face, filling it with bird-shot. Rev. Abernethy was seriously injured, his face is badly disfigured, but he is not considered fatally wounded. The preliminary trial came off the same day, and Mr. Grimsley was bound over for his appearance at court in the sum of $500. He was also placed under a bond of $500 to keep the peace.

Rev. Abernethy telegraphed to Presiding Elder Rone at Goldsboro to come to Snow Hill. In the telegram he also tendered his resignation, and asked for some other preacher to be placed in charge of the circuit.

LATER.

GREENVILLE, Dec. 15.—W. E. Grimsley, living near Snow Hill, who on the 8th inst. shot Rev. J. T. Abernethy for kissing his wife, made a second attack on the preacher on the streets of Snow Hill yesterday, firing on him with a pistol, which fire Abernethy returned. Grimsley was shot in the leg, but has fled and cannot be found, and Abernethy received a ball in his left cheek.

Almost a Panic.

Washington Evening Star, 11th]

An explosion occurred in the hall of the House just before 1 o'clock to-day, causing great excitement for a few moments, and nearly resulting in a panic. The House was not in session, and not more than a hundred members were in the hall, together with the usual outsiders who are on hand during a recess. Everything was unusually quiet. Suddenly there was an explosion as if a heavy blast had been discharged in the hall. Every man jumped to his feet, and, shouting, the crowd rushed to the doors, jamming up the passage-ways. For a moment a panic seemed probable.

A SUSPICION OF BOMB THROWING.

The location of the explosion was in the corner of the hall nearest the private room of the Speaker, and the first impression was that some one had thrown a bomb into that room. The sound of escaping steam and the volume of white vapor pouring through the hall disclosed the source of the explosion, and allayed the fears that first took possession of the members. Investigation showed that a steam-pipe almost under the seat of Jerry Simpson, in the south east corner of the hall, had exploded, and that no damage worth mentioning had occurred.

There was no one in the immediate vicinity of the explosion when it occurred, or probably some one would have been injured. When the rush for safety was made there was hardly a man in the hall who was not thoroughly frightened.

A PANIC PREVENTED.

"Parson" McKinney, of New Hampshire, and two or three others, who were quick to guess at the cause of the trouble, jumped up on chairs and waving their hats in the air called to the rest to keep quiet; not to run, that there was no danger, and this action probably was all that prevented a panic. Within five minutes the usual quiet was restored, and the steam was cut off.

JAPAN LETTER.

The Earthquake—Scenes of Horror—Fearful Loss of Life—Untold Suffering.

For the Observer.]

KOBE, JAPAN, Nov. 18, 1891.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—The 28th of October, 1891, will long be remembered in the annals of Japan, the central part of this empire being visited on that day by a most terrible earthquake. Such a calamity has not been known here since 1855, when Tokyo was destroyed.

The first shock occurred between 6 and 7 o'clock on the morning of the 28th of October. It was severe enough to knock down a number of chimneys in this city, and give us all a bad fright. I sprang out of bed, and ran, barefooted, with the rest of the family, into the yard. The house rocked dreadfully, and we thought it would come down on us before we could get the door open. We wondered if it was so severe here what it must be in Tokyo and Yokohama, where heretofore the earthquakes have had their centre. My first conviction was that these cities had been destroyed.

It was not till the next day that we could get a telegram through, asking if they were all safe. The answer came back: All safe. For four or five days all mail was stopped, and we could not hear from anybody either by letter or telegraph. Then faint rumors came that Nagoya, Gifu and Ogaki, three leading cities, the largest of which has a population of about 200,000, had been injured and a large number of people killed. The reports of destruction grew worse and worse as the days passed. These three cities are in the midst of a large and very fertile plain, which is dotted with innumerable towns and villages. This whole plain is a desolate waste, and 5,000 people were killed by the falling of houses, and burned to death by the fires that immediately followed the earthquake.

Fifteen thousand people were injured in various ways, and a million people were made homeless. I am told by eye-witnesses that the desolation is simply horrible. For days the living did nothing but dig out the dead from the *debris*. In one of the large temples, where a congregation of people had gathered, the immense building collapsed, and only two escaped. The earthquake was felt over about 39,000 square miles, but about 30 square miles were made a wilderness; immense fissures were made, in which houses went down, burying the inhabitants many feet.

The vertical motion of the first shock was 8¼ inches. Imagine a house being lifted that high—then suddenly dropped. The centre of the earthquake was a few miles from Gifu, in the Neo Valley. There not a living soul escaped. Some of the houses were *punched* down into the ground, and only the roof was left visible. Large landslides occurred, and deep fissures were made; a quantity of curious, unknown mud was thrown up—such mud as has never been seen before. Mountains were made plains, and new mountains and one volcano made. In one of the fissures three men and one woman went down, only the hair of the head being left visible, but they were so tightly fastened that they could not be extricated. The earth continued to quake for two or three weeks, and at this time has not ceased.

At first the shocks occurred every two or three minutes, from the 28th of October till the 8th of November, making in all over one thousand. With the exception of two, all the missionaries escaped unhurt—Mr. and Mrs. Van Dyke were badly injured in the head, the former having his skull fractured. Two of our missionaries had a narrow escape. They were at an early 6 o'clock prayer meeting with the Japanese. The house began to shake so hard that they got up from their knees and started to the door. Mr. McAlpine said he hesitated a second, when he was violently knocked against the door. Miss Wimbish was ahead of him, and he pushed her, and both ran out, followed by the rest. After he had gotten in the street he turned and saw four of his Japanese friends crushed to death under a fallen chimney. They were so close in front that Miss Wimbish's hat fell under one of the women who was killed. Mr. and Mrs. Van Dyke were hurt at the same time. Nagoya, where our missionaries are, did not suffer as much as Gifu and Ogaki. No fires broke out there, as there did in the other cities.

As soon as this terrible calamity was known subscriptions were opened by the different banks, newspapers, societies and nationalities. Thousands and thousands of dollars have been raised for the sufferers. The great Northern Telegraph Company, running through Siberia, etc., sent $5,000 by telegraph. The foreigners of Shanghai sent the first instalment of $5,000 a few days ago. The foreigners in this empire have not only raised immense sums but have sent their agents to Nagoya and the other cities to see that the help was evenly distributed. People now are camping out of doors, sleeping on the ground, afraid to go into those few houses which did not entirely collapse. The rivers in that plain are almost on a level with the surrounding country, so that high banks have to be made to keep the streams from overflowing (in some places the rivers are higher than the country around them, and the railroads run *under* instead of *over* them). The earthquake destroyed about 200 miles of river bank, so that in the spring there is danger of a flood. These earthquakes are accompanied by fearful rumblings, like immense masses of earth falling, or, as some express it, like distant thunder.

I have hesitated to take up my pen to even try to describe the horrors by which we are surrounded. I can only say: "The half has not been told" of all the suffering and death that this people have endured. They are so patient and cheerful. One girl was found working among some ruins. She was asked what she was doing, and she answered that her mother, father and sister were buried under the *debris*, and she was looking for them. Many of the killed were crushed to a jelly. The shrieks of the dying and wounded were heard all around above the rumbling of the earth. All of the scientific men and seismologists, both native and foreign, have gone to view the desolated country. The verdict is that it is far worse than they had any conception of.

L. L. G.

We are glad to see Mr. John Goddard, now residing at Vicksburg, Miss., who is visiting relatives in this city.

Wrong in their Geography.

Mr. D. M. O'Hanlon convicts the antiquaries who have lately unearthed(?) a cave of a serious error in location, commenting as follows upon their faulty topography:

I notice in several papers a story of a hundred-acre cave in Sampson county, on the headwaters of North-East River, five miles from Warsaw. That story won't do. The geography is wrong. There may be a cave in Sampson, but the head of North-East is not in or near Sampson. Warsaw is in Duplin, on the Wilmington & Weldon R. R., which runs on the ridge between North-East River and Six Runs. Six-Runs and the Coharies run through Sampson, and form Black River, which runs into Cape Fear. The head of North-East River must be a good many miles above Warsaw—probably in Wayne county. That big cave is a very interesting feature in the topography of the county, but it ought to be more definitely located. As located at present, it is an impossibility. Let's get Brother Butler to find out about it.

A Man Thermometer.

Lean men make the best thermometers. Fahrenheit never invented better ones. If the weather is warm and sunny, they are cheerful. If cold and frosty, they are irritable and snappy. If damp and cloudy, they are downcast and gloomy. But if either lean or fat men are suffering from biliousness, headache, constipation or indigestion, the weather will always be damp and cloudy in their locality, unless they use Dr Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. These Pellets are small, sugar-coated granules, calculated to start the liver and digestive organs into healthy activity, and thereby raise low spirits, and dispel gloom.

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TIME OF HOLDING COURT

In the Twelve Districts of the State.

FIRST DISTRICT.

Spring—Judge Bryan.
Fall—Judge Brown.

Beaufort—‡Feb 16, May 25, Nov 30.
Currituck—March 2, Sept 7.
Camden—March 10, Sept 24.
Pasquotank—March 16, Sept 21.
Perquimans—March 23, Sept 28.
Chowan—March 30, Oct 5.
Gates—April 6, Oct 12.
Hertford—April 13, Oct 19.
Washington—April 20, Oct 26.
Tyrrell—April 27, Nov 2.
Dare—May 4, Nov. 9.
Hyde—May 11, Nov 16.
Pamlico—May 18, Nov 23.

SECOND DISTRICT.

Spring—Judge Connor.
Fall—Judge Bryan.

Halifax—†March 2, May 12, ‡Nov 16,
Northampton—‡Jan 19, March 30, Oct 5.
Bertie—Feb 2, April 27, Nov 2.
Craven—†Feb 9, May 25, Nov 30.
Warren—March 16, Sept 21.
Edgecombe—April 13, Oct 19.

THIRD DISTRICT.

Spring—Judge Whitaker.
Fall—Judge Connor.

Pitt—Jan 5, March 16, †June 8, Sept 21.
Franklin—Jan 11, April 13, Nov 6.
Wilson—‡Feb 2, June 1, Nov 2.
Vance—Feb 16, May 18, Oct 19.
Martin—March 2, Sept 7, Dec 7.
Nash—April 27, Nov 23.

FOURTH DISTRICT.

Spring—Judge Winston.
Fall—Judge Whitaker.

Wake—*Jan 5, †Feb 28, *March 28, †April 21, *July 9, †Aug 27, *Sept 28, †Oct 26.
Wayne—Jan 19, March 10, April 13, Sept 14, Oct 19.
Harnett—Feb 2, Aug 10, Nov 30.
Johnston—Feb 9, Aug 17, Nov 16.

FIFTH DISTRICT.

Spring—Judge Boykin.
Fall—Judge Winston.

Durham—Jan 12, Mar 23, June 1, Oct 19.
Granville—Jan 26, Apr 20, July 27, Nov 30.
Chatham—Feb 9, May 4, Oct 5.
Guilford—Feb 16, May 25, Aug 31, Dec 14.
Alamance—March 2, May 18, Nov 2.
Orange—March 16, Aug 10, Nov 9.
Caswell—April 6, Aug 17, Nov 16.
Person—April 13, Aug 24, Nov 23.

SIXTH DISTRICT.

Spring—Judge McIver.
Fall—Judge Boykin.

Pender—March 9, Sept 14.
New Hanover—†Jan 19, †Apr 13, †Sep 28.
Lenoir—Feb 2, Aug 24, Nov 16.
Duplin—Feb 9, Aug 3, Nov 30.
Sampson—†Feb 23, April 27, Oct 12, Dec 14.
Carteret—March 16, Oct 26.
Jones—March 23, Nov 2.
Onslow—March 30, Nov 9.
Greene—March 30, Oct 5.

SEVENTH DISTRICT.

Spring—Judge Armfield.
Fall—Judge McIver.

Columbus—Jan 12, March 30, Aug 3.
Anson—*Jan 5, †April 27, *Sept 7, †Nov 30.
Cumberland—Jan 19, †May 4, July 27, †Nov 16.
Robeson—Jan 26, *May 18, Oct 5.
Richmond—Feb 9, June 1, Sept 21, Dec 7.
Bladen—March 16, Oct 26.
Brunswick—April 16, Sept 14.
Moore—March 2, Aug 11, Nov 2.

EIGHTH DISTRICT.

Spring—Judge Graves.
Fall—Judge Armfield.

Cabarrus—‡Jan 26, April 27, Nov 2.
Iredell—Feb 2, May 18, Aug 10, Nov 9.
Rowan—Feb 16, May 4, Aug 24, Nov 23.
Davidson—March 2, Sept 7, †Dec 7.
Randolph—March 16, Sept 21.
Montgomery—March 30, Oct 5.
Stanly—April 6, Oct 19.

NINTH DISTRICT.

Spring—Judge Bynum.
Fall—Judge Graves.

Rockingham—Jan 19, July 27, Nov 9.
Forsyth—Feb 2, May 18, Oct 26.
Yadkin—Feb 10, Sept 28.
Wilkes—March 2, Sept 14.
Alleghany—March 16, Sept 7.
Davie—March 30, Oct 12.
Stokes—April 13, Aug 10, Nov 16.
Surry—April 20, Aug 24, Nov 23.

TENTH DISTRICT.

Spring—Judge Hoke.
Fall—Judge Bynum.

Henderson: Feb 9, July 20.
Burke: March 2, Aug 10.
Caldwell: March 16, Sept 7.
Ashe: March 23, May 25, Aug 24.
Watauga: April 16, Aug 31.
Mitchell—April 13, Sept 14.
Yancey—April 27, Sept 20.
McDowell—May 11, Oct 12.

ELEVENTH DISTRICT.

Spring—Judge Merrimon.
Fall—Judge Hoke.

Catawba—Jan 12, July 20.
Alexander—Jan 26, Aug 3.
Union—*Feb 9, †Feb 16, *Sep 21, †Sep 28.
Mecklenburg—†Feb 23, *Aug 31,
Gaston—March 11, Oct 12.
Lincoln—March 30, Oct 5.
Cleveland—April 6, Aug 10, Oct 27.
Rutherford—April 20, Nov 2.
Polk—May 4, Nov 16.

TWELFTH DISTRICT

Spring—Judge Brown.
Fall—Judge Merrimon.

Madison: Feb 23, Aug 3, †Nov 23.
Buncombe: †March 10, †Aug 17, †Dec 7.
Transylvania: March 30, Sept 7.
Haywood: April 6, Sept 14.
Jackson: April 12, Sept 28.
Macon: May 4, Oct 5.
Clay: May 11, Oct 12.
Cherokee: May 18, Oct 19.
Graham: June 1, Nov 2.
Swain: June 8, Nov 9.

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‡ For civil cases alone except in jail cases.

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N. W. RAY, Att'y for
Heirs of Mrs. Mary Monroe.

Nov. 12, 1891. tf

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THURSDAY.....DECEMBER 17, 1891.

TOWN AND COUNTY.

☞ For other locals see 2nd page.

Reading Club.

Mrs. B. R. Huske, a charming society woman of Fayetteville, is organizing a literary and reading club, to be carried on in connection with "teas," weekly meetings for sewing, etc. We consider the idea an excellent one—to be attended with both entertainment and profit.

Newspaper Change.

Mr. R. T. Covington, long the capable editor of the *Farmer and Scottish Chief*, on account of ill-health induced by a recent stroke of paralysis, has decided to relinquish journalism for some other business. His services as the current chronicler of his people's history will be missed.

Stables and Horse Burned.

Mr. S. R. Rainer, residing in the vicinity of Manchester, met with the misfortune of having his stables and horse destroyed by fire on Monday night last, the 14th inst., entailing a loss of two or three hundred dollars, which falls heavily upon him, there being no insurance on the property.

New Neighbors.

Certainly there is no little enhancement of the attraction of Haymount as a place of residence in our gaining for neighbors Mr. and Mrs. J. Henry Currie, of Wilmington, who have purchased the Shaw house, and are having it remodeled and refitted for the occupancy of the family. We most cordially welcome them into our circle.

To Enter the Ministry.

Mr. Kirkland Huske, a native of this place, but who has for the past two years been with Brown & Roddick, of Wilmington, has decided to enter the ministry; and, after spending the holidays with his host of friends and relatives in this city, will leave for Berkley Divinity School at Middletown, Conn.

A Delightful German.

A number of the young people of this city were on Friday evening, 11th inst., the recipients of a pleasant compliment tendered by Mrs. T. A. and Miss Belle Barker, who received them in the beautiful parlors of the Hotel LaFayette, and a german, led by Mr. Jas. A. Moore, was *enjoyed in the* spacious dining-room, with an elegant collation served to the guests during the evening.

Runaway.

On Monday afternoon a spirited young mule belonging to Mr. Ham took fright on Market Square, and his owner, in his efforts to curb him, was thrown down, and the wheels passed over his lower limbs, though, beyond some bruises, he was not injured. The mule was captured by two or three enterprising colored boys after a sharp chase, during which he disdainfully tossed aside a fine young porker butchered for market.

A Quarrel and a Murder.

We learn that on Friday last, near Rosseboro, on the line of the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railway, two negroes, Bill and Sam Simpson, became engaged in an altercation on the road-side, when the latter, who was armed with a gun, shot the former. Octave Simpson, a son of Bill, thought his father was dead, and straightway attacked Sam Simpson, and a desperate fight ensued, in which Octave was fatally cut with a knife, dying the next morning.

Silver Wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Guthrie, of Durham, celebrated their "silver wedding" on Wednesday evening, 9th inst., with a delightful reception to their many congratulatory friends, who emphasized their good wishes by various beautiful and elegant tokens of esteem.

"Though lost to sight to memory dear" are the united pair who have just commemorated their quarter of a century of companionship—most of that period spent in our own midst; and no congratulations are warmer than those of Fayetteville, although sent from afar.

McDougald Trial in Pamphlet Form.

Because of their length, we are forced to forego the pleasure of publishing in the OBSERVER the speeches on both sides in the McDougald-Conoley murder trial. We are, however, hard at work on the book in which the trial will be given in detail, inclusive of the judge's charge to the jury, and illustrated with pictures of Judge McIver, the attorneys on both sides, D. A. McDougald and Simeon Conoley. No pen could do justice to the masterly speeches made during the progress of the trial, and the book will be well worth the price charged.

A Children's Paradise.

Besides the wonted extensive line of attractive and useful goods piled on the tables, shelves and counters of their extensive establishment in the Thornton Iron-Front Block, Messrs. A. J. Pemberton & Co. have planted Elysian Fields for the little ones in the large store on the opposite side of the street, between Mr. H. R. Horne's and Mr. H. R. Novitzky's; and there the rich fruitage of the Christmas tree gleams through the broad windows, glistens on the walls, and glows in bewilding profusion everywhere—with Mr. G. A. Thomson, one of the best salesmen in the State, presiding over all, as suave and bland as a May morning, and as smiling as a full-grown Lynn Haven oyster.

FRANK McNEILL, ESQ.,
Of Rockingham, State Solicitor for the prosecution in the McDougald trial.

Religious Notes.

How we and hundreds of others have enjoyed the recent visit of Rev. Egbert W. Smith, of Greensboro, and the four masterly sermons which he bestowed upon us during that time! His chaste, beautiful discourse of Friday evening sounded the depths of our hearts in its earnest, tender feeling—"the sword of the Spirit the word of God;" the sermon of Sunday morning kept us following intent a finished scholar's matchless analysis of character—a portrayal of the spiritual life and motives of action of Balaam; that of Sunday evening dealt no less powerfully with the character of Job—God's manifest benign purpose in the extraordinary accumulation of afflictions visited on his devoted head, with a final restoration of his temporal prosperity and a fuller growth of christian manhood; in the last of the series, on Monday evening, we were invited to a consideration of part of Paul's Epistle to the members of the fast-deteriorating, schismatic church at Corinth; and, from the Apostle's words of warning to the unfaithful Corinthians, the speaker drew a graphic picture of character-building, with solemn injunction to the christian to look well to both foundation and superstructure.

Mr. Smith is very polished as a speaker, while, as a Biblical student and expounder, he is not unklike his gifted father, Rev. Dr. J. Henry Smith, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Greensboro (in our judgment the strongest man in the North Carolina Synod), and their pulpit bearing, allowing for the difference of age, bears close resemblance.

Rev. Dr. English, of South Carolina, will conduct divine services in the Presbyterian Church next Sunday. He stands high in the South Carolina Synod; as competent a judge of pulpit ability as Rev. E. W. Smith, who knows Dr. English well, assures us that there is no disappointment in store for those who may be present on Sunday next.

His health did not permit him to carry on two services last Sunday, but in the morning Rev. Dr. W. H. Moore, pastor of Hay Street Methodist Church, gave his congregation a sermon of rare strength—God's chastening dispensations fruitful of holiness and piety: not unlike the line of thought taken by Mr. Smith in the Presbyterian Church that night.

From the stately measure and majestic periods of Isaiah Rev. Thomas Atkinson, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church, found food for edifying reflection and material for an impressive discourse to his congregation on Sunday morning.

On Sunday evening Rev. W. B. Oliver, the eloquent pastor of the 1st Baptist Church, continued his Bible reading and questioning. This exercise has proved of great interest, and with so gifted a teacher it cannot fail to be as valuable as it is entertaining and pleasant.

CAPT. W. S. NORMENT,
Member of the Lumberton Bar, of counsel for the defense in the McDougald trial.

Soldiers' Home.

Our young folks, middle-aged folks and old folks, who combine versatility of head with benovolence of heart, would do a gracious and a graceful thing, gladdening the Manager of this District, Mrs. Thos. H. Sutton, if they would give some kind of entertainment during the Christmas holidays for the benefit of the old soldiers now billeted at Raleigh in their last barracks on earth.

The task would be no means difficult, for in so good a cause a Fayetteville audience would not be hypercritical—selections during the evening by our excellent Independent Light Infantry Band; a song here and there by one of our "sweet singers;" two or three living tableaux; recitations at intervals by some of our amateur elocutionists, etc. In fact, an *olla podrida* of improvised little attractions would, we believe, realize a substantial sum—and in this case emphatically "every little helps."

Latch-String Outside.

It is stated that ex-President Cleveland will visit Wilmington next winter, to be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Pembroke Jones. We merely wish to remind him that we are, according to Mitchell's Geography, still "situated at the head of navigation on the Cape Fear," where we will be rejoiced to see him and his family at any time. We'll put a Highland color on the cheek of little Ruth if she sets her baby lips to the far-famed fountain of Cool Spring; and to the fair mother we'll tender an ovation born of the devoted homage of Scotch-Irish chivalry to woman's beauty and virtue.

Subterranean Fires.

Not "Scotland" but "Egypt's burning." The premature discharge of a blast in the coal mines at Egypt the other day caused a fire which it has been found difficult to manage, and which has wrought a good deal of damage. The vertical shaft is about 400 feet in depth, and all the miners made their exit safely, but we learn that in the lateral chambers several mules were burned to death, while hoisting machinery and other material were destroyed.

"The Master of Her Destiny Has Come."

We take the following paragraphs from the entertaining "Society Column" of the Atlanta *Constitution* of the 27th ult.:

I cannot refrain from divulging some news concerning matters matrimonial that I have known for some time, but as yet have had no official permission to announce. It concerns the engagement of Miss Emma Hahr to Mr. James M. Dobbs. The marriage will occur at the home of Miss Hahr's sister, Mrs. Joe Stewart, at Marietta, and will be a quiet affair, witnessed by only the friends and relatives of the two people most concerned therein. Miss Hahr is not only a woman of exquisite musical genius but she has that rare harmoniousness of personal magnetism which has brought her the adoring friendship of women and the intense admiration of men, with many eligible suitors. Men in her own professional sphere and men in the ranks of business have sought her hand—but to find that she was too deeply in love with her art to share her life with any living mortal. But now it seems that the master of her destiny has come, and she has yielded like a true woman.

Her *fiance* is all that her highest fancy could picture—manly, noble and strong in character, brilliant and sympathetic in intellect, and is known in the business world as one of the leading and most successful young men in Atlanta. He is blest, indeed, in the winning of so gifted and lovable a woman, and that their united lives may be one continued and exquisite harmony is the wish of all who know them.

I learn that Miss Hahr's wedding robe will be fit for an empress. The long court train will be of cloth-of-gold, and the white satin bodice and draperies will be embellished with gold hand embroidery.

Miss Hahr is a native of Fayetteville, and is gifted by heredity—her musical genius the legacy of her father, the late Prof. Hahr, a Swede of high family and a near relative of Prof. Schele de Vere, the learned linguist of the Chair of Modern Languages at the University of Virginia, and those gracious qualities which win man's love and woman's friendship bequeathed by her lovely and accomplished mother, who before marriage was Miss Alice Hartman, resident here, but born in Robeson county.

The writer had the honor and pleasure of presenting Miss Hahr to a large and cultured audience in this city a few years since, and the brilliant young *debutante* elicited enthusiastic admiration by her wonderful execution as a *pianiste*.

The "Vance Souvenir."

Maj. Jno. N. Prior, manager of the well-known jewelry establishment of Messrs. W. Prior & Son, on Hay Street, could not have selected as the sponsor of his beautiful "souvenir silver spoon" a public man whose name goes to the hearts of more people than "Zeb" Vance, of North Carolina—whose patriotism was to the struggling South as a staff to the traveler on a weary way; whose devotion to his people has made him a tower of strength in the councils of the nation; whose eloquence has thrilled, whose wit has convulsed, the admirers of vigor of expression and originality of thought from Maine to Florida.

In a handsome little volume entitled "Souvenir Spoons of America," containing, among hundreds of others, an illustration of Maj. Prior's elegant and artistic specimen of Ben Butler's besetting weakness, the compiler pays this graceful tribute to the junior Senator of our State:

Vance possesses great versatility of talents, and is the most delightful of companions. Of infinite humor, he is one of the most popular orators, while at the same time his learning is varied and profound. Apart from his genius, his distinguishing traits are sincerity and patriotism. He is a typical North Carolinian—not boastful and pretentious, but ever exceeding his promise by his action. Like the majority of North Carolinians, he doubted the expediency of secession, but when the war came his State furnished more troops to the Confederacy than any other, and suffered greater losses in battle. Vance became the most renowned, as he was by far the ablest, of the South's "War Governors."

The Cuban-Bound Party.

Among the published list of passengers for Eugene Harrell's excursion trip to Cuba we notice the names of Misses Janie Williams and Mary Lilly Taylor of this place. The party will leave Raleigh on the 30th inst., and among others, we see the names of Judge John Gray Bynum and wife; Hal. London and E. P. Poe, Pittsboro; Edwin C. Holt and J. H. Irwin, Burlington; Thaddeus L. Siegle, Charlotte; Mrs. Fanny Cox Bell, Richmond, Va.; the Misses Eppes, City Point, Va.; Mrs. Crave, Baltimore; Miss Louise Thompson, Goldsboro; Mrs. Preston Cumming and daughter and Miss Morrison, Wilmington; Misses Janie Williams and Mary Taylor, Fayetteville; Miss Bessie Worthington, Charlottesville, Va.; Rev. Bennett Smedes, Rev. Dr. C. T. Bailey, Mrs. Julius Lewis, Mrs. Bessie Leak, Misses Janie Ward, Kitty Carter, Katie McMackin, Truletta Kreth and Mattie Higgs, Raleigh.

In His New Home.

Tuesday's issue of the Wilmington *Star*, in giving welcome to the Methodist ministers entering upon their charges in that city under the appointments of the last Conference, speaks as follows of Rev. E. C. Sell's induction into the pastorate of the Market Street Church:

Rev. E. C. Sell, of Market Street M. E. Church, had a large congregation both Sunday morning and night. In the morning he preached from Exodus, 17th chapter, 8th to 13th verses inclusive: And Amalek came to make war against Israel. Moses took his position on a hill. The success of the battle depended upon the hands of Moses being lifted. They grew weary, and fell, when Aaron and Herr came to his assistance, and held up his hands, and Israel prevailed. Lesson—ministers need the combined help of their entire flock. He invited the cooperation of his members, their attendance, their prayers, and to do whatever they can for Christ.

Special Rates.

Capt. W. E. Kyle, General Passenger Agent of the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railway, publishes the following special rates for the occasion named:

Travelers during the Christmas holidays will be transported at 4 cents per mile to and from points specified for the all-round trip: Round-trip ticket from Fayetteville to Charlotte, $5.40; Fayetteville to Durham, $4.10; Greensboro to Winston-Salem, $1.15; Durham to Wilmington, $6.35; Henderson to Wilmington, $7.05; Raleigh to Wilmington, $5.30; Winston-Salem to Wilmington, $8.30—tickets on sale from December 20th to 25th, and on December 29th, 30th and 31st: extreme limit, January 5.

NEILL ARCHIE McLEAN, ESQ.,
Member of the Lumberton Bar, of counsel for the prosecution in the McDougald trial.

Turpentine Still Burned.

News has been received here of the burning of Mr. Jno. E. Elliot's turpentine distillery at Manchester last Saturday, entailing a loss of about $200 over and above all insurance.

This Way, Please.

If you don't believe it is to your interest and that it will pay you to look over our new advertisements:

H. H. H.: Christmas Gifts.
A. G. Brady: Found.
J. A. Shaw: Lumber.
Mrs. T. G. Hall: For Sale.
J. A. & M. H. Holt: Oak Ridge.
Bank of Fayetteville: Meeting.
A. S. Huske: Oysters for Christmas.

Change of Editors.

On or about January 1st of next year, Rev. J. A. Oates, Jr., of Sampson, at present Principal of the South River Baptist Institute of Autryville, will succeed Rev. W. J. Fulford as managing editor of the *North Carolina Baptist* at this place, the latter having accepted a call to the pastorate of a Baptist Church.

During his quite brief sojourn in our midst Rev. Mr. Fulford has won many golden opinions, and in his new field we wish him great success. Mr. Oates is a young man of promise, a graduate of Wake Forest College, and will devote his best energies and talents to the interest of the paper over the destinies of which he has been called to preside.

Jurors for January Term Cumberland Superior Court.

At the December meeting of the board of county commissioners the following jurors were drawn for the January term of Cumberland Superior Court, which begins here January 18, 1892:

C. P. Rollins, W. H. C. Levy, L. G. Donman, J. L. Cade, Geo. P. McNeill, Sam'l Simmons, G. A. Thomson, D. J. Wheeler, W. W. Capps, A. B. Yarboro, A. C. Monroe, W. J. Sessoms, Henry Smith, J. W. Scull, J. H. Smith, G. E. Buie, Rufus Johnson, D. C. Culbreth, Q. J. Smith, Jas. Williams, J. D. McLeod, Alex. Simmons, N. J. Bell, Alex. Norris, A. J. Guy, M. H. Bullard, D. A. Graham, C. H. Cogdell, Blackman Matthews, David Glover, Elisha Monroe, D. B. Autry, Church Bernard, Malcolm Gillis, Frank Wood, James Powell.

List of Letters.

Following is the list of unclaimed letters remaining in the Fayetteville postoffice December 14th, 1891:

Frank Arrington, Will Abel, C. A. R. Autry, Geo. W. Bennett, Mrs. Hunting Beard, Mrs. Mary Bryant, A. R. Carver, R. L. Chatman, Mrs. Nick Carver, George Carr, Mrs. Flora A. Davis, Col. Tom Devane, Mr. & Mrs. Geo. D. Elliott, James H. Gardner (2), Robert Hall, R. A. Jackson, Mrs. C. H. Jenkins, A. J. Johnson, & Co. Chester M. Lee (col), Dr. F. Martin, John S. McKay, Louisa McLaurin (col), Mrs. John McQuin, Miss Mary B. McIver, Mrs. Annie Rents, R. H. Seay, Eli Smith, J. A. Taylor, Prof. Alonzo Tripp, Mrs. Louciny Waddell, L. T. West, Jacob Willard (3), Julius Wilson,

Persons calling for above letters will say advertised.

Bladen County Has an Execution.

James Johnson, a negro, was hanged at Elizabethtown, Bladen county, on Friday, 11th inst. The execution was public, witnessed by from 2,500 to 3,000 people, and the condemned man met his fate with decent firmness, having little to say on the scaffold. Johnson had, however, during his imprisonment confessed the commission of the crime for which he suffered—a most atrocious one, he having murdered Florence Sutton, a colored girl not arrived at the age of puberty, whom he had previously outraged with ruthless and revolting cruelty. And yet there are people who do not believe in capital punishment! What but death can atone for such fiendishness as Johnson's?

If we mistake not, a murderer was hung at Elizabethtown in 1858 or '59, and we can recall no execution in Bladen county since that time.

One Word, Please, to Our Delinquent Subscribers.

Patience has ceased to be a virtue with us, and we must now insist upon a speedy settlement of all that is due the OBSERVER for subscriptions and otherwise. It requires no little outlay of cash every week to run such a paper as the OBSERVER, for we spare neither pains nor money in our efforts to give the public such a paper as we believe they can and will appreciate. That being the case, the "laborer is certainly worthy of his hire." Moreover, the year 1891 is nearing its close, and we desire to strike a balance sheet with all who are in arrears, and start off the year 1892 anew. Again a glance at our books would indicate that it is an oversight with many of our most substantial subscribers that they have failed to liquidate their indebtedness more than to postpone the "evil day." During the month of October of this year we mailed a statement of their indebtedness to each and all our delinquent subscribers, and had our earnest solicitations been heeded this notice would have been unnecessary. As a "gentle reminder" we will mark an X on the margin of the papers this week to all who are in arrears, earnestly insisting that the matter be given prompt attention.

Mr. C. W. Marsh, of the Southern Express service, with headquarters at Richmond, Va., was at home for a few days

Leave your orders for Christmas oysters at WRIGHT'S CAFE.

Quail on toast at WRIGHT'S CAFE.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

Raleigh News.

RALEIGH, Dec. 14.—Director H. B. Battle of the State Weather Service leaves tomorrow for Washington, to confer with the Director of the Government Weather Service. He will arrange for an increase of the number of stations in this State from 54 to 100.

The Supreme Court files a decision that it is not negligence on the part of a railroad to fail to keep its right-of-way clear. The court reversed the decision of the court below in this case, which came up from Pender county.

COMMENDABLE.

All claims not consistent with the high character of Syrup of Figs are purposely avoided by the California Fig Syrup Company. It acts gently on the kidneys, liver and bowels, cleansing the system effectually; but it is not a cure-all, and makes no pretensions that every bottle will not substantiate.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

What Shakspeare Might Have Said.

To take or not to take: that is the question.
Whether 'tis better for a man to suffer
The pangs and torments of indigestion,
Or something take, and, in its taking end them.

Shakspeare didn't say that, but very likely he would have said something similar, if he were living in this 19th century, when so many suffer untold agonies from indigestion. Of course he would have gone on to say that a man must be a fool *not* to take the "something" which would put an end to the "pangs and torments" spoken of, if he could get it. Now, it is a fact that weakened, impoverished blood brings on indigestion, which is the cause of dyspepsia, constipation—a poisoned condition of the whole system—and it is a fact, also, that Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will so purify the blood and enrich it that all the weakened organs are revitalized and strengthened. It is guaranteed to do this. If it doesn't your money will be returned to you.

Leaf by leaf the roses fall;
One by one our dear ones die.
Oh, to keep them with us still!
Loving hearts send up the cry.
Wife and mother, Oh, how dear,
Fading like a mist away,
Father, let us keep them here,
Tearfully to God we pray.

Many a wife and mother, who seems doomed to die because she suffers from diseases peculiar to women, which saps her life away like a vampire, and baffles the skill of the family physician, can be saved by employing the proper remedy. This remedy is Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, the greatest boon ever conferred by man on weak, suffering, despairing women. It is a specific for all phases of female weakness, no matter what their name

Oh! What a Cough.

Will you heed the warning—the signal perhaps of the sure approach of that more terrible disease, Consumption? Ask yourselves if you can afford, for the sake of saving 50c., to run the risk and do nothing for it. We know from experience that Shiloh's Cure will cure your cough. It never fails. This explains why more than a Million Bottles were sold the past year. It relieves croup and whooping cough at once. Mothers, do not be without it. For lame back, side or chest use Shiloh's Porous Plaster. Sold by A. J. Cook & Co.

Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint.

Is it not worth the small price of 75c. to free yourself of every symptom of these distressing complaints? If you think so call at our store and get a bottle of Shiloh's Vitalizer; every bottle has a printed guarantee on it; use accordingly, and if it does you no good it will cost you nothing. Sold by A. J. Cook & Co.

We have a speedy and positive cure for catarrh, diphtheria, canker-mouth and headache, in SHILOH'S CATARRH REMEDY. A nasal injector free with each bottle. Use it if you desire health and sweet breath. Price 50c. Sold by A. J. Cook & Co.

A SOUVENIR THIMBLE FREE.

Any lady sending AT ONCE the names and address of ten married lady friends or housekeepers, to whom we can send sample copies of the most charming illustrated ladies' newspaper published to-day, will receive an elegant SOLID SILVER souvenir thimble. The LADIES' PICTORIAL WEEKLY is the handsomest and most entertaining publication of its class, and is becoming universally popular with intelligent ladies in both Canada and the United States. It contains sixteen large pages, same size as *Harper's Bazaar*, most profusely illustrated, and comes each week at only $2.00 a year. If you desire a souvenir thimble send names of those you think would be interested in the LADIES' WEEKLY, and enclose fifteen U. S. 2 cent stamps to cover expense of mailing, etc. FORWARD TO-DAY. Address LADIES' PICTORIAL WEEKLY, Canada Life Building, Toronto, Can. Dec. 3—3t

A Litte Girl's Experience in a Lighthouse.

Mr. and Mrs. Loren Trescott are keepers of the Government Lighthouse at Sand Beach, Mich., and are blessed with a daughter, four years old. Last April she was taken down with Measles, followed with a dreadful Cough and turning into a fever. Doctors at home and at Detroit treated her, but in vain; she grew worse rapidly, until she was a mere "handful of bones." Then she tried Dr. King's New Discovery, and after the use of two and a half bottles was completely cured. They say Dr. King's New Discovery is worth its weight in gold, yet you may get a trial bottle free a B. E. Sedberry & Son's Drug Store.

The First Step.

Perhaps you are run down, can't eat, can't sleep, can't think, can't do anything to your satisfaction, and you wonder what ails you. You should heed the warning; you are taking the first step into Nervous Prostration. You need a Nerve Tonic, and in Electric Bitters you will find the exact remedy for restoring your nervous system to its normal, healthy condition. Surprising results follow the use of this great Nerve Tonic and Alterative. Your appetite returns, good digestion is restored, and the liver and Kidneys resume healthy action. Try a bottle. Price 50c. at B. E. Sedberry & Son's Drug Store.

A BOON TO THE SICK.

Dr. King's Royal Germetuer is endorsed by Rev. J. B. Hawthorne, pastor First Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga., who says: "It is a great remedy." Rev. Sam P. Jones says: "I wish every poor suffering wife had access to that medicine." Thousands of others attest its virtues. Fifty gallons are drunk in Atlanta daily, where it is performing remarkable cures. It removes the cause of disease and builds up from the first dose. Send stamp for full particulars, certificates of wonderful cures, etc., to King's Royal Germetuer Co., Atlanta, Ga. IT CURES WHEN ALL ELSE FAILS. Price, $1.50 per concentrated bottle, which makes one gallon of medicine as per directions accompanying each bottle. Can be sent by express C. O. D. if your druggist cannot supply you.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box.

For Sale by B. E. Sedberry, & Son, Fayetteville, N. C.

WRIGHT'S CAFE

Will be open Sunday from 8 A. M. till 9 P. M.

If you want a nice, comfortable Truss, at a reasonable price, call at HORNE'S DRUG STORE.

☞ No nausea or griping after using Brookfield's Liver and Kidney Pills. For sale by Fayetteville Druggists.

The Hair- and Tooth-brushes, Combs, Soaps, Perfumes and Flavoring Extracts at HORNE'S DRUG STORE will be appreciated if tried.

Carolina Baking Powder is reliable, wholesome and first-class in all respects. HORNE'S.

OYSTERS

On the half-shell, by the peck, or bushel at WRIGHT'S CAFE.

Fayetteville Cotton and Naval Stores Market

Corrected by the Fayetteville Cotton Exchange

Good Middling	7
Middling	6¾
Strict Low Middling	6¼

Turpentine, $2.20 to $2.60 per barrel
NAVAL STORES.—Spirits 28½ cents.
Rosin was steady, prices ranging at 1.00.

FAYETTEVILLE MARKET.

N. C. BACON—		FODDER,	80
Hog Round,	10	HIDES—	
Sides,	9	Flint—good,	6
Hams,	15	Flint—damaged,	5
WEST. BULK MEATS—		Dry Salt,	7
Sides,	7	Green,	3
Shoulders,	6½	IRON—	
WESTERN BACON—		American,	3
Sides,	9	Swedes,	5@6
Hams,	15	LARD—	
Shoulders,	6½@8	N. Carolina,	11
BAGGING,	@7	Western,	9
BEEF—		LEATHER—	
On foot,	3	Upper, country,	35@40
Dressed,	5@6	Sole, Hemlock,	25@27
BEESWAX,	22	Harness, c'ntry,	25@30
BUTTER—		MOLASSES,	25@40
North Carolina,	20@25	NAILS—	
Northern,	30@40	(12d basis),	2.50
COFFEE—		PORK—	
Java,	30	Fresh,	5@6
Rio,	20@00	Mess,	(None.)
COTTON YARN,	85@95	POTATOES—	
COTTON TIES,	1.40	Sweet—new,	40
CHICKENS,	15@25	Irish—o	1.90
EGGS	20	SALT,	95
FLOUR—		SUGARS—	
N. C. Family,	2.75	Coffee.	5
West. Fam.,	5.00@6.00	Granulated,	6
CORN MEAL—	75	SHEETINGS,	5½
GRAIN—		SHUCKS,	50
Corn—new.	55	TALLOW,	5
Oats	50@55	WOOL,	18
Rye,	125	SPIRITS—	
Peas,	65	Corn Whisky,	175@2.00
HAY—		Rye Whisky,	1.75@3.00
N. Carolina,	40@60	Ap. Brandy,	1.75@3.00
Northern,	90	Peh Brandy,	1.75@3.00

Wilmington Market.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 15.

COTTON.—Cotton steady, with sales on a basis of 7¼ cents for Middling.

SPIRITS TURPENTIE.—The market steady at 30½ cents per gallon.

TAR—Firm $1.30.

ROSIN.—The market quoted firm at $1.20 per bbl. for Strained and $1.25 cents for Good Strained.

TURPENTINE (Crude) Distillers quote the market firm at $1.90 for Virgin, $1.90 for Yellow Dip and 1.00 for Hard.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

FOR SALE.

Wishing to change my business, I will sell out at a sacrifice, to CASH purchaser, my Furniture and Fixtures at the Park House—one of the most pleasantly situated Hotels in the State, only one minute's walk from each of the depots. Will satisfy purchaser that it will pay on investment. Address or apply to MRS. T. G. HALL,
Proprietress Park House,
Dec. 17, 1891—3t Fayetteville, N. C.

FOUND,

A "wallet" along the public road between Fayetteville and ——, containing a pocket-book with a large sum of money therein and valuable papers. The owner can have same by calling at my office, identifying the property, and paying for this notice.
A. G. BRADY,
Dec. 17, 1891—tf Fayetteville, N. C.

The Bank of Fayetteville,
FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Dec. 15, 1891.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of this Bank will be held in their Banking House at Fayetteville, N. C., on Thursday, January 7th, 1892, at 9 o'clock A. M.
J. C HAIGH, JR.,
Dec. 17, 1891—2t Cashier.

For Christmas Presents!

FOR THE FATHER OR OLDEST SON:
A Torry's Razor and Strap.
To a man who shaves nothing you can give would please him better.

FOR THE GIRLS:
A First-Class Pair Scissors.

FOR THE BOYS:
A Knive; a Flobert Rifle; a Pair of Roller Skates.

FOR MOTHER:
A Pair of Brass Andirons; A Pair of Brass-Head Shovel and Tongs.

FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE HOUSEHOLD:
A New Cook Stove, or a New Franklin.

We have many other useful articles in our stock.

CALL AND SEE US.

HUSKE HARDWARE HOUSE.
Dec. 17, 1891—tf

J. A. SHAW,
FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.,
MANUFACTURER OF AND DEALER IN
Rough Lumber,
For Dwelling Houses, Bridges and other purposes.

His mills, situated a short distance from town, are in first-class condition, and all orders, large or small, will receive prompt attention.
Dec. 17, 1891—tf

Oak Ridge Institute.

This well-known Institution has just closed a most prosperous year, during which time the enrollment has been over 300 students. The new building has just received the finishing touches, and the school will move into it for the first time on January 6th, the opening of the spring term. Send to Messrs. J. A. & M. H. HOLT, Oak Ridge, N. C., for their beautiful illustrated pamphlet descriptive of the school.
Dec. 17, 1891—tf

Fresh and Seasonable Goods
CONSTANTLY ARRIVING.

We cordially invite your personal inspection of them. We claim merit in goods and guarantee prices.

We call special attention to
PRESERVES, JELLIES AND APPLE BUTTER,
MINCE MEAT, &c.,
PREPARED FLOUR, BUCKWHEAT, AND A THOUSAND OTHER NICE THINGS.

A limited supply of fine oysters received and delivered on Christmas Eve. Leave your orders in ample time to obviate disappointment.
A. S. HUSKE, Ag't.
Dec. 17, 1891. tf

TILLINGHAST'S
Crockery Store
is receiving new goods every day in
CHINA, GLASS-WARE, LAMPS, DINNER SETS, TEA SETS, TOILET SETS, AGATE and TIN-WARE, TABLE CUTLERY, SILVER-PLATED SPOONS and FORKS and HOUSE FURNISHING GOODS GENERALLY.
Prices to suit the times.
Oct. 29, 1891. tf

EVERY DAY.

Leave your orders for New River, Lynn Haven Bay, Hampton Bar and New River Oysters at

CAROLINA
-Machine Company-
WANT TO BUY
:-:SECOND-HAND ENGINES:-:
WRITE THEM DESCRIPTION OF WHAT YOU HAVE FOR SALE.
Works and Office, Fayetteville, N. C.
Respectfully,
W. H. RUSSEL, Treas'r.
November 26, 1891.

X-MAS.
A. J. PEMBERTON & CO.
More Fully to the Front than Ever.

Having visited the Northern Marts expressly to meet the demands for the eventful day, CHRISTMAS, now come to the front with joyful greetings to young and old. With a Christmas and New Year's Present for every one at

SMALL COST.
JOY TO THE WORLD. WE ARE PREPARED FOR YOU.

Having bought largely for the Retail and Wholesale Trade we have opened up our Toy House in the beautiful large store on Hay street, between Horne's Drug Store and Novitzky Bro.'s Clothing House. A pressing invitation is extended to call and examine on carefully selected

CHRISTMAS STOCK,

embracing everything suggestive of joy and surprise to expectant ones, awaiting the coming of that morn, when joy flashed from Pole to Pole, and the shout exultant rang out from every soul.

To attempt to enumerate would be folly. We simply state we have anything you want, and at figures that will well accord with low price cotton and short crops.

Come One, Come All, Come Large, Come Small.

We charge nothing to show and price our goods. Remember we propose to please and sell.

What you fail to find at our Toy House you will find at our Book and Music House, nearly opposite.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS A SPECIALTY.

A. J. PEMBERTON & CO.
Fayetteville, Dec. 10, 1891.

SOMETHING NEW!

I have just received from the sale of a broken Importing House in New York several cases of

NEW AND STYLISH
Dress Goods,

which are indeed beautiful, and would be cheap at 75 cents, but which I will offer for a few days at the unheard-of price of 50 cents per yard.

Come at once and see them before they are all gone.
FRANK W. THORNTON.
Nov. 12, 1891. tf

A. HOEN & CO.,
LITHOGRAPHERS,
Engravers and Printers,
RICHMOND, VA.,

Execute all orders for
LABELS, SHOWCARDS,
CHECKS, DRAFTS,
LETTERHEADS, CARDS, ETC.,
in neatest and modern style.
Nov. 26, 1891. 3m

E. A. POE
BRICK AND TILE MANUFACTURER,
FAYETTEVILLE N. C.
June 25, 1891. tf

H. I. McDUFFIE,
General Insurance Agent,
FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.,
—REPRESENTING—
The NIAGARA (Fire) of New York, Organized in 1851. Assets over $2,000,000.
The ORIENT (Fire) of Hartford, Conn., Organized in 1866 Assets $2,000,000.
The NEW YORK LIFE, of New York, Organized in 1845. Assets $116,000 000.
—AND OTHER—
Life, Fire, Accident and Live Stock Companies.

Insurance placed anywhere in Cumberland and adjacent counties.
Office—Room No. 10, Thornton Block, Fayetteville, N. C.
nov. 5, 1891. 3m

NOTICE!
Steam Saw Mill for Sale.

I offer for sale the KLARPP STEAM SAW MILL, located on Big Rockfish, just immediately between the C. F. & Y. V. R. R. and the Atlantic Coast Line—not exceeding 400 feet from either road. The plant consists of a 40-horse power engine and boiler, 52 inch saw, log-drag, &c.—a complete saw-mill outfit. Location unsurpassed, both for the purchase of logs and timber; excellent freight facilities, &c., thereby enabling one to ree either through line for the shipment of lumber. Capacity 10,000 feet per day. Any one needing such proper y would do well to examine it. For terms, &c., apply to
A B. WILLIAMS,
June 11, 1891—tf Fayetteville, N. C.

NEWTON H. SMITH,
Real Estate Agent,
P. O. Box 53, Fayetteville, N. C.,
Has especial advantages for buying and selling town and country property. Write him for particulars if you want to buy or sell REAL ESTATE.
He is also a
COAL DEALER,
and carries a FULL STOCK AT ALL TIMES of Anthracite and Bituminous Coal, and is *never undersold.*
July 30, 1891—tf

NOTICE.

The undersigned has resumed the practice of law in Fayetteville, N. C. His office is on Hay street, over McDuffie's Drug Store. P. O. box 34.
He will attend the Courts, State and Federal, where his services may be required.
JAMES C. MACRAE.
Jan'y 1, 1891. tf

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When all the birds have southward flown,
And forest trees are brown and sere,
We hear a sad pathetic moan
In anguish for the dying year:—
'Tis then this lovely flower appears
To banish gloom and care away;
Our hearts and homes it sweetly cheers—
Chrysanthemum so quaint and gay.

Its bloom adorns the festive hall,
The palace and the cot as well;
It gleams along the garden wall,
And on our bosoms loves to dwell.
O many-hued chrysanthemum,
Thy pungent fragrance fills the air;
Like childhood's vision thou dost come,
Chrysanthemum so fair.
Thou art of autumn flowers the queen,
Chrysanthemum so quaint and gay;
A fairer flower was never seen,
We loyal homage pay.

—*Julia M. Swift.*

Winter Trees.

Who finds the trees of winter bleak
Has not the poet's sight,
They bear gold sunrise fruit at dawn,
And silver stars at night.

All day they prop the lowering clouds,
No respite do they ask,
And they sing in voices deep and wild,
Like giants at a task.

Raising Lettuce in Winter.

If you have never had lettuce of your own raising in mid-winter, do not live another winter without it. It is a tonic, a luxury, that wards off (the doctor) and builds up. Even the sight of it, beautiful green when the earth is "sere and brown" or covered with snow, is a help.

Plant seed in a window-box. If the ground be frozen, and no protected place can be found where a pit may be dug, make a "pen" of boards or plank, three feet wide and six feet long, just as the dimensions of a gardener's sash. Make the pen three feet deep; then put in two feet of green horse-manure, crowded down a little, and on the top a foot of rich loam, good black earth, made rich by fine manure.

On all sides of the pen, outside, bank with earth if it can be obtained, or with hay, straw or stalks. Transplant the plants from the window-box when the leaves are an inch long. Keep the earth moist with tepid water. The first rank heat of the manure should be allowed to pass off before the plants are set out. The sash should be raised every morning and the bed aired, and in the middle of the day the sash should be raised in sunny weather. Cover the sash at night with tarred paper, and weight down with boards to prevent the wind from blowing it away. Maintain a summer heat. A little practice will teach how to regulate, raise or lower the sash. Lettuce is more hardy than some suppose. It will endure, for a short time, considerable heat and considerable cold.

Later start field-plants in the bed, and when these are transplanted plant cucumbers in the bed, and let them "riot" in it all summer.

Queer Economy.

North Carolina Bulletin.]

One of the noticeable things often disclosed is the queer economy displayed in feeding stock. The man who will turn twelve or fourteen quarts of meal daily into the manger of a fattening steer, to make four cent beef, will, as a rule, dole out meal to a cow with a spoon: the first to make two pounds of meat worth eight or ten cents, and the same meal, if fed to a good cow, would make a pound of thirty cent butter. The money for the beef can be secured only once, and that after from one to three years, when the steer is sold, while the returns from the cow come in as fast as good butter can be made—a daily income. Not only beef-feeders should become dairymen, but dairymen, hosts of them, could and would do far better if they would imitate the feeders for beef, and feed their cows grain with a liberal hand, and not a spoon. The cows that give large quantities of rich milk must have food and lots of it, and, if the cow is naturally a good one, she will respond with a paying yield. The queer economy of limited feeding should give place to one of liberality. This can be made less expensive by providing large stores of bright fodder corn, sweet corn fodder, silage and home-grown corn and oats, and fields of clover. Then with good cows dairying will pay, without resort to this kind of economy.

Pitting Potatoes.

Boston Cultivator.]

Where potatoes are to be kept through the winter, and are not wanted for market or use till spring, a well-constructed pit out of doors is the best way to keep them. Cellars are always too warm, and even a temperature of fifty degrees starts the eyes, whether the cellar be light or dark. In a dark cellar the potatoes in a bin will be found grown together if not examined frequently. In out-of-door pits, unless the winter is extremely warm, scarcely an eye will have started up to the time the pit is ready to be opened. Such potatoes for seed are worth double what the same potatoes would be—kept so warm that each eye has sprouted and must have its original growth broken off. It stands to reason that the first growth has greater vigor than will any one that starts afterward. The pit should be only slightly covered and good ventilation be given up to the time of severe freezing. Just before that put on another coat of straw over the whole heap, and cover with four or five inches deep of soil. If weather below zero is threatened in winter draw a few loads of manure from the horse stables, and give the pit another covering. When thus trebly covered there is little danger that even zero weather will reach down to freeze the potatoes.

Bones for the Fowls.

New York Witness.]

The refuse bones from the family table should all be saved and broken into small bits for the fowls. The eat them greedily, and where they are not supplied with bones it is a good policy to buy them ground and ready for use. They will not only assist the fowls by supplying the system with a needed desideratum, but act as a preventive to a certain extent against bowel disease. It is not expensive, as it is not necessary to feed much at a time; a little every day, or twice a week at least, will more than repay the additional expense that may attend the use of it.

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